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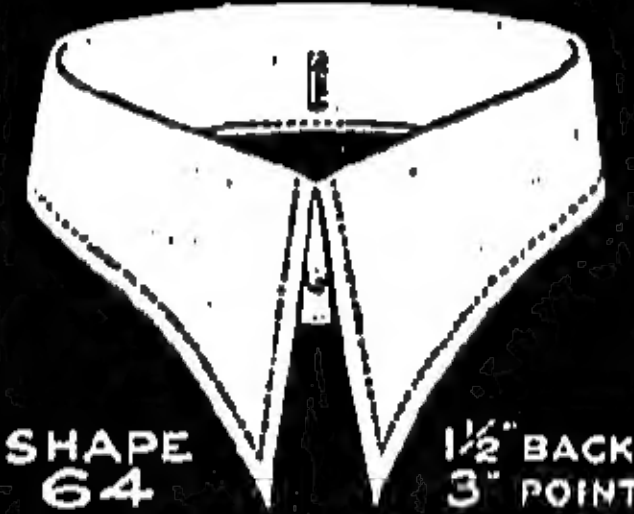
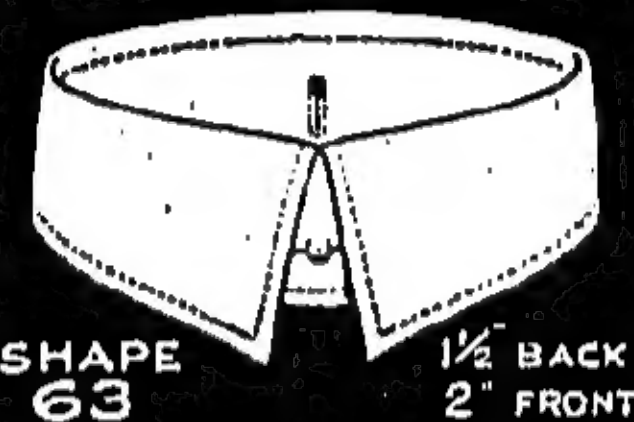
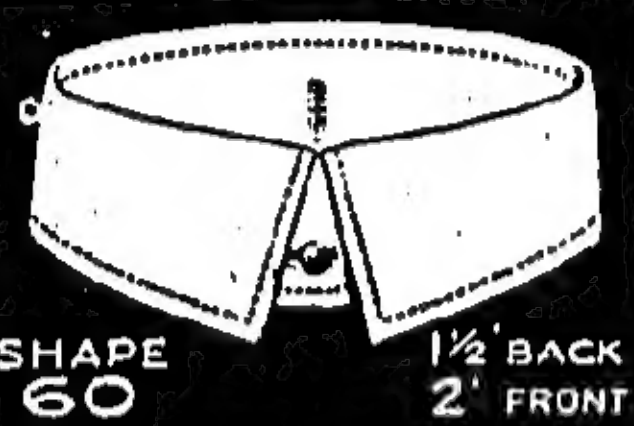
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YANGTSE FIRING. BRITISH BLUEJACKETS WOUNDED. MODERATES RETREAT.

NANKING DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE.

FUTURE OF TIENTSIN.

HANKOW TO BE REOCCUPIED?

The firing on the British Navy's armed merchantman "Kiawo" reported yesterday resulted in two bluejackets being wounded.

The Moderates under General Chiang Kai-shek who were reported to be advancing on Hankow are now falling back.

The British Foreign Secretary stated yesterday that discussions are still proceeding among the Powers regarding Nanking.

Documents relating to the future of the British Concession at Tientsin have been initialled but certain points have still to be discussed.

The question of reoccupying the former British Concession at Hankow was raised in the House of Commons yesterday.

TWO WOUNDED.

British Bluejackets Twice
Fired At.

Shanghai, May 2.

The British Navy's armed merchantman "Kiawo" has been fired at from two points on the lower course of the Yangtse River. Two of her crew of bluejackets were wounded.

At Tungchow she was not hit but the merchant steamer "Ming-hai" was struck by one shell which did not inflict any casualties.

The second point was at Kueishan where the "Kiawo" was hit. The main armament of the "Kiawo" was used in both instances in answer to the attack.—British Naval Wireless.

Another Version.

Shanghai, May 3.

A wireless message from Chungking states that His Majesty's special service ship "Kiawo" was fired on by rifles near Chinkiang. Two sailors were wounded but not seriously.

The fire was returned.—Reuter.

Asked to Move Off.

Chinkiang, May 2.

A Chinese (Southern) gunboat which, in the course of an engagement with the Northern batteries, shifted into line with the oil installation and foreign warships at anchor here has been asked to move off.—British Naval Wireless.

NATIONALIST SPLIT.

Moderates Withdrawing Down
River.

Cables received in Hong Kong today indicate that some of the Moderate troops who are moving against the Hankow Extremists have been withdrawn.

Units of the 7th Army (loyal to General Chiang Kai-shek) which were marching westwards up the River, have given up Anking (capital of Anhui province) and returned towards Wuhu, further down the River.

It is believed that the 7th Army has orders to go to Nanking, to reinforce the Moderates' campaign against the Northerners under General Chang Tsung-chang.

No Alliance.

Shanghai, May 2.

Negotiations for an alliance between General Chiang Kai-shek

LATEST NEWS.

POWERS AND NANKING
OUTRAGES.

AMERICA AGAINST ACTION.

Shanghai, May 3.

A semi-official Japanese message from Peking states that the Ministers of the five Powers held a Conference yesterday regarding a second Note to the Nationalist Government.

No agreement was reached owing to America not favouring the sending of any Note, yet.—Reuter.

GROANS AND CHEERS.

Trade Union Bill Causes
Excitement.

LABOUR ROWDY REBUKED.

London, May 2.

The excitement over the Trade Union Bill was reflected in the crowded House of Commons when Sir Douglas Hogg, the Attorney-General, moved the second reading. Sir Douglas Hogg emphasised that while the Government was willing to consider amendments to remove ambiguities and eliminate defects, it would resist to the utmost any amendments designed to defeat the main principles of the Bill, which they regarded as right, just and necessary.

There were frequent Labour interjections, notably when Sir Douglas Hogg referred to the general strike, but the Speaker's firm tactfulness prevented any unruliness.

Lock-Outs.

Sir Douglas Hogg declared that the Government regarded the inclusion of lock-outs in the Bill as useless and inept because a general lock-out was not likely to happen, but in the event of the employers being so foolish as to

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The second puzzle of the new series will be published on Monday next and so on as before.

attempt to coerce the State and Government, the right course would seem to be, not to fine or imprison the directors, but to use the existing Emergency Powers Act to take possession of the works and run them. (Labour laughter and ironical cheers).

Nevertheless if a case were made out, even to prevent misrepresentation and misconception, the Government would not object to lock-outs being included with strikes in the Bill.

General Strike Illegal.

Sir Douglas Hogg declared that a large section of Labour still pinned its faith to the weapon of a general strike. Therefore it was the Government's bounden duty to make it clear that a general strike was illegal and any participation therein committed a crime against the community.

Labour interruptions culminated in the Speaker ordering Mr. Jack Jones to withdraw from the House during to-day's sitting. The Speaker cautioned several other Labour members.

Sir Douglas Hogg concluded a two hours' speech amid a battery of interruptions, Opposition groans and Ministerial cheers.

Labour Moves Rejection.
Mr. J. R. Clynes, replacing Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who is in hospital at Philadelphia suffering from bronchitis, received an ovation on rising to move the rejection of the Bill.

Mr. Clynes said that while he did not believe in the policy of a general strike he regarded the present Bill as a calculated and deliberate act of class hostility.

He declared that when Labour returned to office it would be its duty to repeal the Act. The workers would insist on the right of the masses of them to exercise full freedom whether Government employees or not, and to sell or withhold their labour as they chose.

Mr. Clynes objected that the Bill would erect a great, perhaps insuperable barrier of uncertainty and doubt in the minds of Trade Union leaders: as when it was denied the right of bodies of workmen to act sympathetically towards each other.

"Wastrels and Robbers."
The Liberal attitude to the Bill was voiced by Mr. E. A. Harmey

RIVER COLLISION.

"Anjou" & "Wing On"
Enquiry.

PASSAGES WITH COUNSEL.

The circumstances of a collision off the Wongmun Customs Station on April 20 between the s.s. "Wing On" and the s.s. "Anjou" formed the subject of a Court of Enquiry at the Harbour Office this morning.

The Court comprised Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole R.N., Harbour Master (President), Lieut. Comdr. Pittairn Jones, D.S.C., Captains W. C. Shearer, T. M. Meyrick and D. Ritchie.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton) was for Capt. J. Webster, of the s.s. "Anjou" and Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones (Wilkinson and Grist) for Capt. C. Mutton, of the s.s. "Wing On."

Capt. Mutton was first called, and said that he left Kongmoon at 3.40 p.m. on the day in question, arriving at Wongmun at 7.40 p.m. and anchoring a cable's length off the South bank owing to the heavy thunderstorm. One of H.M.'s armed launches was anchored about 300 yards above him to the West and there were a number of junks between him and the South bank and also above and below him, all close in shore.

The "Anjou" arrived about twenty minutes after he did and anchored about half a cable to the North of the "Wing On." About 8.30, as the weather was clearing, witness gave the order to stand-by and the "Wing On" got under way a few minutes afterwards, being bound for Hong Kong. It was necessary for witness to turn the ship round, her head then being West, so he blew one blast on his whistle and as there was insufficient room to do otherwise he put both engines slowly ahead to cross ahead of the "Anjou."

Was "Anjou" Anchored?

As the "Wing On" commenced to turn across the "Anjou's" bows, it appeared to witness that she was still at anchor although her steam lights were on. The "Anjou" gave no signal with her whistle and he took it that she was waiting for him to cross her bows. He saw steam coming from the "Anjou's" forward for a short while.

Witness put the "Wing On's" helm to port, with engines slowly ahead, passing between the bows of the "Anjou" and the stern of the armed launch, passing the "Anjou" on the left (North) bank.

The Chief Officer, who was with witness on the bridge at the time, (witness being in charge) thought that the "Wing On" was closer to the North bank than was necessary but witness was satisfied and put the starboard engine full astern until the "Wing On" had turned almost on her outward course.

They then noticed that the "Anjou" was turning to the South bank and that her starboard side was turned towards the "Wing On", the "Anjou" making about two knots. The "Wing On" N. Witness stopped the "Wing On's" starboard engine. The "Anjou" was closing on the "Wing On" quicker than witness's port helm appeared to indicate and witness stopped both engines. The fresh wind on his port bow carried the "Wing On's" head to starboard a point or perhaps a little more and as the "Anjou's" stern still closed, the "Anjou" heading about S. by E. and the "Wing On" approximately E. witness put the "Wing On's" port engine full

who condemned it as scrappy, superficial and biased. The Bill, he said, appeared to be directed against all strikes.

There was another lively scene when Mr. Tom Griffiths (Labour) demurred at a Conservative remark stalked out of the House angrily shouting "Wastrels, robbers, thieves, and blackguards" amid laughter.

Sir Henry Slesser (Labour), in the course of a detailed criticism, dwelt on the alleged provisions aimed at the prohibition of all strikes and everything connected therewith.

Mr. George Spencer, who was recently expelled from the Labour ranks owing to negotiating the district settlements during the coal strike, supported the Bill which he held was in the best interests of Trade Unionism. He believed it would particularly assist the Labour Party because it would curb the activities of fomenters of disturbance, especially when Labour returned to power.

The speech evoked Ministerial cheers. The debate was adjourned.—Reuter.

MISSING.

Charges Against Bank
Compradore.

WARRANT FOR ARREST.

Peking, May 3.

The Hong Kong Bank has applied for a warrant to arrest the compradore, Teng Cheng-hsing, who at the close of business on Saturday disappeared with his son who is assistant compradore.

The Chinese staff disappeared at the same time but have now returned and the Bank is functioning as usual.

The compradore's affairs appear to be much involved.

It is reported that he owes five lakhs to Chinese banks in Peking.

A preliminary investigation is alleged to have revealed extensive falsifications.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST.

"N.E. winds, moderate; overcast at first, finer later" is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Metacological observations at 6 a.m. this morning were as follows: Barometer, 29.81; temperature 72; humidity 90; wind force 0; weather overcast.

EXHIBITION TENNIS.

On behalf of the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, the Hong Kong Cricket Club is arranging exhibition lawn tennis matches on their stand court at 4 p.m. on May 11, when a number of the Colony's leading players are to take part.

Admission will be at \$1, and 50 cents. The League and Guild contributed over \$14,000 to Service and civil charities last year, so that it is hoped that the exhibition will meet with good support.

astern to starboard, at the same time sounding the necessary signal.

The Collision.

The "Anjou" answered this, it being her first whistle signal, stated witness, and as the stern closed witness stopped both of the "Wing On's" engines. The collision occurred, the "Anjou's" stern on the starboard quarter striking the "Wing On's" stem on the starboard side, the impact being severe in that the stem and frames of the "Wing On" were bent and strained.

The headway of the "Wing On" at the time was not more than a knot, the estimate being based on observations, made by the saloon lights of the "Wing On". Witness drew the attention of the Chief Officer to the fact that the "Anjou" was only at that moment putting her engines ahead. Both ships drew clear after the collision.

The collision occurred some six minutes after the "Wing On" had got under way, said witness, and, in reply to Mr. Hugh Jones, said that he had first joined the "Wing On" in September of 1922 as Chief Officer and since August of 1924 had been in charge as master, having taken the ship to all ports in the West and Canton Rivers.

Seeing In The Dark.

Mr. Fitzroy cross-examined at length and there were several passages between witness and counsel, witness commenting with regard to a suggestion that he might have seen the "Anjou's" anchor drop that "one didn't see these things in the dark but heard them."

Mr. Fitzroy examined witness as to his statement that he thought the "Anjou" was at anchor when he crossed her bows. How was it then that her steam lights were on? Witness replied that it was the accepted custom to put the steam lights on as soon as the order to stand-by was given.

Counsel argued that in the time occupied, it would have been impossible for the "Anjou" as witness, opined, to have traversed the distance of two and a half cables, going astern.

Questioned as to whether it would not have been possible for the "Wing On" to have put her engines full ahead and thus pass the "Anjou" witness said he thought it was neither sensible nor practicable. He was of the opinion "When in doubt go slow."

Questioned as to the positions of the ships at the time of the collision, witness described as "absolutely ridiculous" a suggestion of counsel's as to the positions.

After hearing the evidence of the Chief Officer, who corroborated Capt. Mutton, the Court adjourned until this afternoon.

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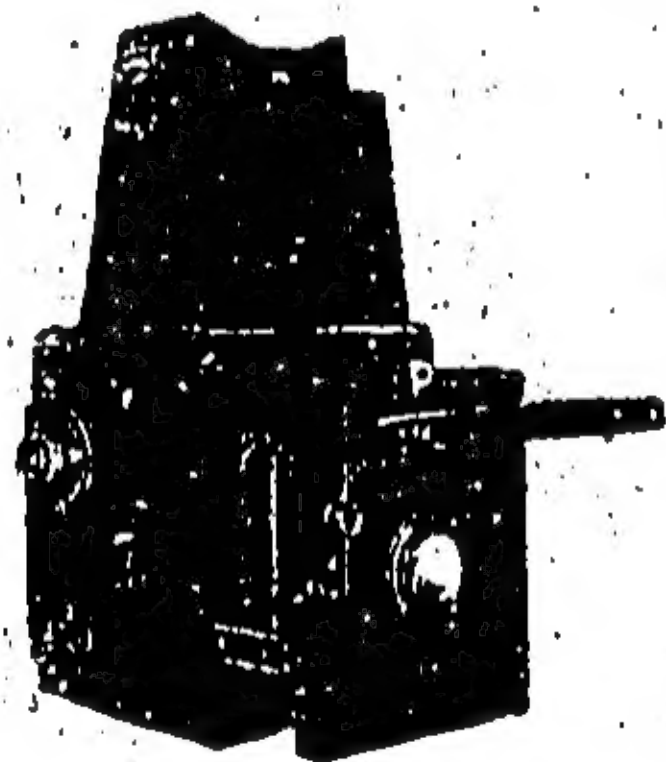
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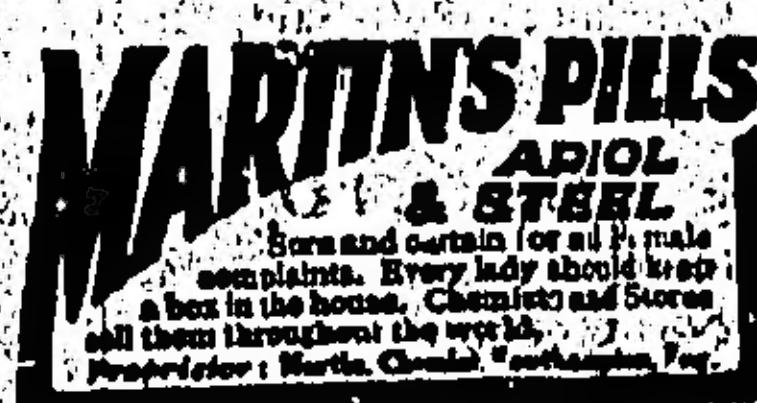
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NOTICES.

PEAK CHURCH

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF WORSHIPPERS at the Peak Church will be held in the Cathedral Hall on FRIDAY, May 6th, 1927, at 5.30 p.m.

H. COPLEY MOYLE,
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Hong Kong, 3rd May, 1927.

NOTICE.

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The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each up to FRIDAY, 6th May, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1927, both days inclusive.

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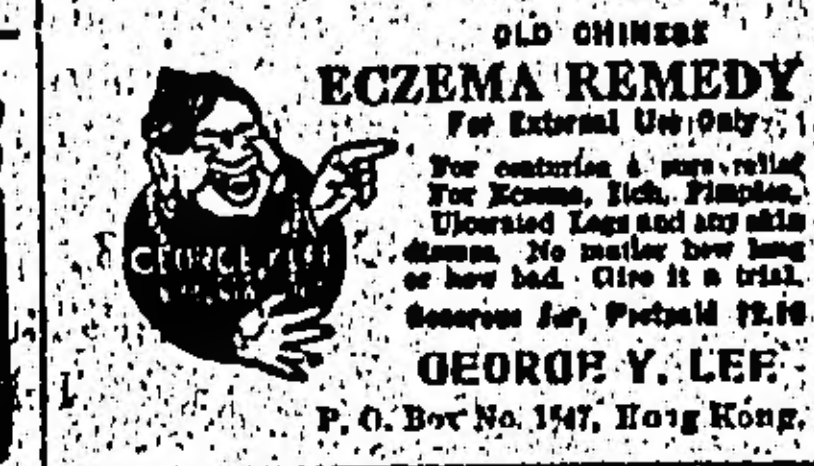
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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., No. 18, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, on the 10th day of May next at 12 o'clock Noon for considering and, if thought fit, passing the sub-joined Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution.

That this meeting authorises the Directors to pay to the Executor of the late Sir Catchick Paul Chater, C.M.G., the "Managing Director's fees in suspense" shown in the Company's last Balance Sheet, which represent the proportion, calculated up to the date of his death, of the remuneration to which the deceased would have become entitled, if he had survived to the end of the year, under Article No. 95 (B) of the Articles of Association.

By Order of the Board of Directors
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1927.



TWO WORDS.

SUICIDE CAUSES A SECOND TRAGEDY.

"This note tells its own tale—just the two words, 'I am J. Venables, of Redham Street, Peckham.' It is not necessary for a man to say 'I am' unless he is contemplating taking his life. It shows he thought his body would have to be identified."

These remarks were made by Major Whitehouse, the South London coroner, holding an inquest on the man Venables, a butcher's assistant, who was found dead on the Southern Railway near Brockley Station on a Thursday night. The following day a friend of his named Mrs. Butcher was discovered in Camberwell cemetery suffering from the effects of poison. Before her death Mrs. Butcher said, "My young man threw himself under a train last night, and I have lost the best pal I had."

Venables' father gave evidence that his son lived with him and had recently been depressed. He had a bullet wound in the side of his face which affected his throat. The coroner: Did you know he was acquainted with anybody named Mrs. Beatrice May Butcher, the woman who poisoned herself in the cemetery?—I did not know until the case was made public. I had seen the young woman at the shop, but I did not know anything about the case whatever. I did not know that he corresponded with her. They both worked at the same shop. Dr. D. C. Taylor, who said "death must have been instantaneous," thought it possible the man lay at the side of the line with his head and one hand on it.

The coroner recorded a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind.

HONG KONG HOTEL VISITORS.

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MOVIE ACTOR PAROLED.

Beverly Hills, California, April 19.—John Gilbert, film actor arrested at the police station here for disturbing the peace, to which he pleaded guilty, has been paroled from his sentence of ten days in the lockup.

WITCHCRAFT.

MURDER BY TEA ESTATE COOLIES.

Calcutta, April 17. Darjeeling, April 19.—The Sessions Judge sentenced six coolies and Sardars, of Belgachi Tea Estate in Terai, to life transportation, on a charge of murdering the wives of two coolies in the garden on the supposition that they were witches responsible for deaths and sicknesses in the Coolie lines.

Witnesses for the prosecution included Mr. J. Murray, Manager of the estate, and the Sub-divisional Magistrate of Siliguri.

AT THE STAR.

"WILD ORANGES" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

Produced by King Vidor, this film is an adaptation of a story by Joseph Hergesheimer and features Virginia Valli, Frank Mayo and Ford Sterling. It has a strong theme and the various actors give splendid characterizations.

The story is that of a despondent man who goes world roving in a yacht, without any interest in life beyond the passage of the days. Putting into an inlet for water, he finds an island upon which an old man and his daughter are kept in subjection by a maniacal brute.

There are several minor developments, tending to the melodramatic climax, when the maniac kills the girl's father and is about to torture her in turn.

A rescue is followed by a chase, which results in the disposal of the madman through the medium of one of his own ferocious dogs, that he has used as guards over his prisoners. It is a Goldwyn picture and wonderfully well produced, not only from the photographic point of view but in the development of plot and continuity.

WORLD THEATRE.

"CHARLIE'S AUNT" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

The never aging comedy comes again for local screening, owing to the insistent demands of patrons. It is a tale that cannot be told in words, it having to be seen to be fully appreciated and what has pleased the theatre goers of two generations, supplies the elements of later days, with all that is hilarious, without ever descending to the risqué and foolish.

Syd Chaplin puts sheer good fun into all his actions and the supporting cast are not one whit behind. There is no doubt that this picture will be in truth a classic of the silver sheet, no matter what stories or what artists may follow in the years when the most of us have lost interest and a newer generation are listening to speaking pictures.

"Charlie's Aunt" keeps on running then and long may she continue to put up records. Don't miss it this time!

SEMI-ETON CROP.

SHAKESPEARE IN MODERN DRESS.

London, April 17. Following the successful innovation of producing "Hamlet" in modern dress in London, Sir Barry Jackson repeated the experiment in the Birmingham Repertory Theatre, staging "All's Well That Ends Well."

Mr. G. Bernard Shaw specially attended.

Miss Eileen Beldan, as Helena, first appeared in a black knee-length dress and semi-Eton crop, and later in a smart cape coat.

Mr. Martin Walker, as Bertram, donned a lounge suit.

FLIGHT TO INDO-CHINA.

CAPT. D'OLIVY TO LEAVE PARIS SHORTLY.

Bangkok, April 25. News has been received here to the effect that Captain D'Olivy, the noted French aviator, will leave Paris in the course of the next few days on a flight to Indo-China.

On the outward journey he will pass over Siam, but on his return he will make a stop at Don Muang aerodrome outside Bangkok.

BELGIAN COLLIERY DISASTER.

London, April 17.

Brussels.—Twenty-six dead bodies have been brought up from a mine at Estinnes.

Following the explosion, the news of which brought helpers from far and near, frantic attempts were made to rescue the entombed men.

Nine bodies still have not been recovered.

DE VALERA IN AMERICA.

London, April 17.

Denver.—Mr. de Valera, who is touring America, has been engaged to broadcast an address on Irish Freedom, but the proprietors, when they saw his manuscript, demanded its modification.

Mr. de Valera refused, upon which the address was barred.

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Hong Kong Station, April 28.

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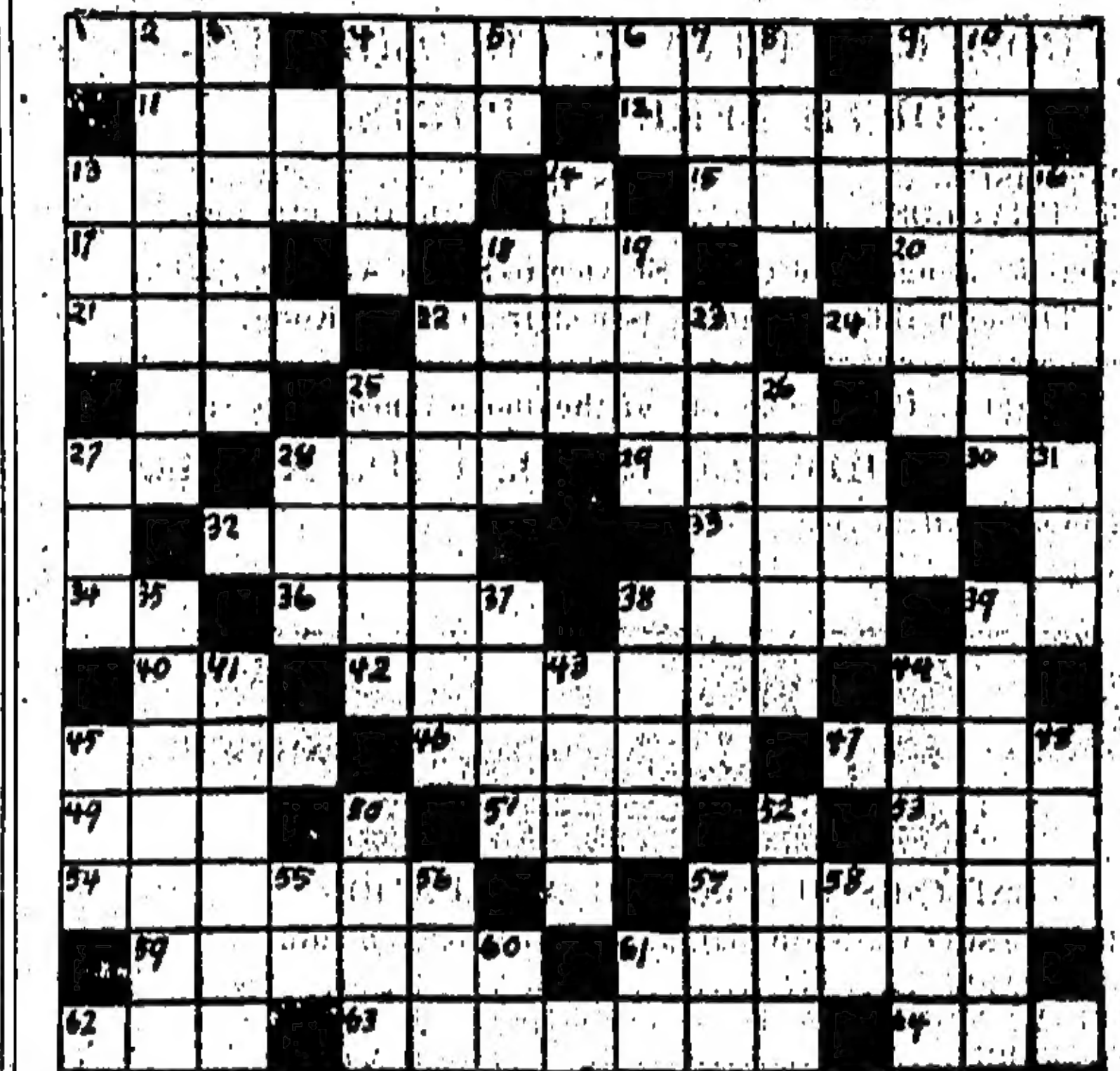
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[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

- | Horizontal. | Vertical. |
|---|--|
| 1. As. | 2. To make useful. |
| 4. A short piece of rope or line. | 3. Furnished With Aisles. |
| 9. To know. | 4. Poison. |
| 11. A fish of the shark kind. | 5. A word of denial. |
| 12. An eruption of the skin. | 6. An exclamation. |
| 13. To dissipate. | 7. Formed with a surface closely corded. |
| 15. A large antelope of South Africa. | 8. To haul. |
| 17. Crabbed. | 9. Welks or withers. |
| 18. Nothing. | 10. An introduction. |
| 20. Self. | 11. Performed. |
| 21. A deliberative convention. | 12. To wear out. |
| 22. Divisions. | 16. A spring. |
| 24. Hastily. | 18. Sixteenth of a yard. |
| 25. Elders. | 19. Unless. |
| 27. Compass point. | 22. Sovereigns. |
| 28. To line the top of. | 23. To stammer. |
| 29. Petitions. | 25. To jeopard. |
| 30. Printers' measure. | 26. A large net for catching fish. |
| 32. A grain. | 27. Denial. |
| 33. To kindle. | 28. C. O. M. (Actual). |
| 34. The nominative plural of the second person. | 31. Not any. |
| 36. A mineral capable of being cleaved into elastic plates of extreme thinness. | 35. A large stable for horses. |
| 38. Volcano in Sicily. | 37. Another time. |
| 39. S. L. (Actual). | 38. State (French). |
| 40. Quartermaster (Abbreviated). | 39. Procures by collusion. |
| 42. One to whom a legacy is bequeathed. | 41. Mean. |
| 44. N. U. (Actual). | 43. (Same as 37 vertical). |
| 46. (Same as 29 Horizontal). | 44. A marine chatopod worm. |
| 47. A small roll of tobacco. | 45. A spring of mineral water. |
| 48. Girl's name. | 46. City in Cambridge. |
| 49. A small pack saddle. | 50. Bustle. |
| 51. To knit. | 52. Tridles. |
| 53. R. O. L. (Actual). | 55. S. P. (Actual). |
| 54. The awn. | 56. An equal quantity (Medical). |
| 57. A planetarium. | 57. O. T. R. (Actual). |
| 59. To plunder. | 58. Sun God. |
| 62. R. Y. L. (Actual). | 60. E. P. (Actual). |
| 63. Light sword with a narrow blade (Plural). | 61. A. E. (Actual). |
| 64. Military decoration (Abb.). | |

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SHIPPING SECTION.

OBITUARY.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE
"CHUBN CHOW."

After nine years' service, Mr. J. Allen (chief engineer of the Hong Kong-Macau steam "Chuen Chow") died yesterday in the Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. Allen was only 38 years of age. He had been with the Douglas s.s. "Halyang" and with the "Amherst" before joining the "Chuen Chow." He was admitted to hospital about a week ago. The funeral took place this morning.

CANTON RIVER STEAMERS.

With the s.s. "Kinsan" having completed her overhaul, the Steamboat Co.'s Hong Kong-Canton service has returned to normal (four boats including the China Navigation "Fatsan," two in the day and two at night). The "Lung-shan" is shortly docking for annual overhaul. Incidentally, the "Kinsan" has her old crew back, and the "strike" of a month or so ago is now a matter of the past.

SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 66 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour, of which number 24 fly the British flag.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day there were 12 arrivals (4 British) and 20 departures (7 British).

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Min" are reminded by the Agent that all claims will not be recognised after May 9.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Bourne" are notified that goods remaining undelivered after May 9 will be subject to rent.

Prince Axel of Denmark, a cousin of the King of Denmark and King George, was on March 26 elected a director of the East Asiatic Company. At one time he was captain of one of the Eastern liners of the firm, in whose office he has lately been working.

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PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the "Suwa Maru" from London and ports on May 1, included:—
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First-class passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the "President Jefferson" from Manila on May 2, were:—Mr. E. T. Dayton, Mrs. Oscar and Miss R. Davis, Mr. C. Ellis, Mr. J. Hair, Mr. A. H. Horowitz, Mr. R. A. Leake, Miss M. Lopez, Miss A. Lindsley, Mr. E. W. Macready, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pollin, Miss T. M. Reichle, Mrs. E. T. Singer, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. and Miss K. Stower, Mrs. M. E. Tinney, Mr. and Mrs. H. and Mrs. D. Watling, Mr. F. W. Zwagera, Mr. J. H. Blackstone, Mr. F. J. Broers, Mrs. P. J. Bahr, Mr. P. Boeler, Mrs. E. H. and Mr. H. Davis, Mrs. W. F. Hartigan, Miss H. Kimball, Mrs. J. J. and Mr. J. J. Patterson, Mrs. M. U. Savin, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. McSweeney, Capt. and Mrs. J. C. Miss M. S. and Mr. J. C. Ruddell, Mr. L. L. Vincent, Mr. A. Welhaven, Mr. Y. Yamamura, Miss M. R. Fomard, Lt. Comdr. Mr. R. Berreto, Sister Bright, Sister Columba, Mr. and Mrs. T. Epstein, Lt. and Mrs. A. R. and Mr. E. Harris, Mr. R. A. Heacock, Mrs. D. J. Miss M. and Mr. L. M. Healey, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hillen, Mr. A. Macleod, Mrs. E. C. Mason.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers sailed from Hong Kong by the "Arifura" on April 30 for Manila and Australia were:—Mr. and Mrs. K. McIntyre, Mrs. H. D. Iflu, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. C. and Miss Rowley, Mrs. O. Berkeley, Miss D. Pittard, Miss A. Webber, Mr. P. V. Cotter, Mr. J. Baxter, Miss P. Haddow, Miss Hughes, Miss Cooper, Miss Armfield, Miss Mannett.

Passengers sailed from Hong Kong by the "Suwa Maru" for Japan via Shanghai on May 2, included:—Mr. C. W. Raincock, Mr. W. Mahan, Major E. H. Russell, Mr. W. Cordes, Mr. H. H. Koeppe, Dr. Shionoya, Mr. J. L. Bentley, Mrs. P. R. Hormusjee, Mr. W. H. Tipton, Mrs. F. Wood.

Two Chinese deck passengers on the s.s. "Kweiyang" bound for Hong Kong died during the steamer's latest voyage, one from beri-beri and the other from tuberculosis.

SHIPPING TROUBLES.

MR. G. L. SEAGER ON NEED
FOR ECONOMY.

The Cardiff and Bristol Channel Shipowners' Association elected Mr. G. Leighton Seager chairman, and Mr. F. C. Perman vice-chairman for the ensuing twelve months.

Mr. Seager, after expressing his appreciation of the honour conferred upon him in electing him as chairman for the coming year, went on to deal with the events leading up to the General Strike. He could not pass that, he said, without making reference to the same leadership displayed in those days by Mr. Havelock Wilson. The bond of loyalty between his men and himself stood a very great test. He added by the sanctity of contracts. The men of the mercantile marine did not break their agreements, they kept faith—they stood behind the Constitution—they remained at their posts; and they did their duty.

So far as the future was concerned, there was justification for hoping for better times. After the strike they passed through a difficult transition period, but the tonnage position was now righting itself, markets were opening out, trade was moving, and he really believed—with careful management, economical working and foresight—with peaceful conditions of labour, that they would be able to show once again a profitable return on the voyages of their ships to distant parts of the world. Their chief concern had always been to keep their working costs down to as near the level of foreign vessels as possible. They always fought for freedom; freedom from Government interference, freedom of the seas, and so on; but it must be recognised that more freedom meant less shelter—they were open to the cold blast of the competition of the whole world. They had always faced that, they had more than held their own, and they could do so in future. All they asked was to be left alone to rely upon their own individual energy, resources and enterprise.

The output of legislation in recent years had been enormous in Britain and in every country. In most cases that meant the output of money by those affected, money which they could ill afford, when they were struggling against great difficulties. It was not that they were not in favour of those things, it was only that they could not afford them. The idea of frequent fumigation of ships might be a very good thing, they did not dispute it, but it cost money.

The Government had a big interest in the shipping business, they were sleeping partners to the extent of one-fifth. Shipowners had an unproductive partner, taking no less than 4s. in the £ out of their enterprise. They desired that the Government should remain sleeping partners, that they should hear from them as little as possible, and that the Government should strive in every way in their power to see if they could live on a little less, in the way shipowners had had to do in recent years owing to economic pressure.

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EMPERESS OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
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TAWAU	Departure	Saturday	May 7	8 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Sunday	May 8	5 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Departure	Monday	May 9	6 a.m.
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ROTOR SHIPS.

PROVED UTILITY OF THE SYSTEM.

OWNER'S SATISFACTION.

At the meeting of the German Maritime Shipping Congress an interesting address was delivered by Capt. Walter Lohmann on his experiences with the rotorship "Barbara." He said that when it came to a question of the first trials of the "Barbara" it was fully recognised that the best prospects for rotor propulsion were to be found less in European waters than on those overseas routes which were favoured by constant winds, such as the "trades" or the monsoon.

The reason why preference was given to European "trades" was that they were experimenting with a new light metal, with a new form of construction, and of altering and testing the rotor system, and the ship in the event of the rotor system suffering from any "infantile complaints" it would be easier for any repairs to be carried out by the vessel's own builders, and at Herr Flettner's works.

Moreover, in the Mediterranean trade, with the more frequent visits to different ports, it was possible to gain more experience to show whether the rotors, with the very large surface which they offered to the wind, would be a hindrance or other to the freedom of movement of the ship in entering or leaving a harbour or in manoeuvring when inside. In addition to this, the "Barbara," apart from its special equipment with rotors, could be regarded as a sister ship to the Siam Line's "Amal" and "Sorrento," which were also built at the Weser Yard, but were fitted with motors. As these two latter vessels were also engaged in the Mediterranean trade, they offered another standard of comparison for the economy or otherwise of motorships both with and without rotors.

From my experiences so far with the "Barbara," Captain Lohmann continued, "I think I may venture the following statement: The results so far are not discouraging; on the contrary, they give very good occasion for the decided hope that rotors will develop into an economic and entirely satisfactory means of propulsion, particularly for cargo ships of large size working on the longer routes."

Unfounded Objections.

The result of the "Barbara's" voyages so far had shown that quite a number of the objections which had been raised against the practical utility of the rotor system were without foundation. For example, it had frequently been said that the impulse given to the ship by the rotors could not be economical, because the power necessary for driving the rotors detracted to some extent from the energy obtained from the rotor installation. Actual experience had demonstrated, however, that the fuel consumption for driving the rotors was extremely small.

It was calculated by the firm of Robt. M. Sloman, Jun., that about one kilowatt per hour and per rotor. According to this the fuel consumption in comparison with the performance of the rotor was extraordinarily small. The relation between the power for driving the rotor and the impulse obtained by the rotor from the wind was about 1:10. The energy obtained from the wind, with a wind-force of 5 was about 600 h.p. Through the rotor installation on a 10,000-ton ship, according to the experience with the "Barbara," an additional energy of 2,000 to 3,000 h.p. could be obtained with a moderate wind.

Another objection which had been raised against the rotor system was that it tended to make the vessel top-heavy. Practical experience with the "Barbara" had shown, on the contrary, that the rotors, constructed of aluminium, were absolutely able to defy the severest storms, such as a met in the Bay of Biscay and the Gulf of Lyons with a wind-force of 10-12.

The new "Barbara" had further demonstrated the conditions were favourable for the production of rotors of larger size. Not only was the cost per square metre less, but the proportionate power relations were much more favourable owing to the smaller number of revolutions.

Critics of rotor construction had also frequently expressed doubt over the possibility of giving to a ship which has a speed of 9-10 knots from its own engines, and additional speed worth mentioning by fitting it with rotors. Practical results set down in the "Barbara's" log showed that on one voyage, in spite of weak winds and the frequent changes of course made necessary by the rotors, in 42 per cent. of the actual navigation days, an average of two knots increase in the speed was obtained by using the rotors. With favourable winds the increase was as much as 8.5 knots.

"A Great Future."

In view of the natural interest which shipping circles had in hearing the opinion which had been formed by the company which was at present operating the "Barbara," Captain Lohmann said he had asked Herr Bruno Richter, of the firm of Robt. M. Sloman, Jun., to state his views. "Herr Bruno wrote:—

"The rotor system, in my opinion, has proved its utility, and with further energetic and careful development, has a great future before it. Rotors, however, in my opinion, will never become the single propulsive force for ocean-going vessels, but will always be auxiliary."

"In regard to the results obtained by the "Barbara," I may mention the following details. With favourable winds—this is naturally the principal matter in the whole system—and with a force of 4-6, the following results were secured on the experimental voyages along the Spanish Coast and in the Mediterranean. With motors and rotors running at full speed, the "Barbara" achieved a speed of 13.5 sea miles per hour, that is to say about 3½ miles more than with the motors alone. With the rotors running at half speed and the rotors at full, the speed 10-10½ miles was obtained, and one of 6 miles with the rotors stopped and the rotors going at full."

"Extremely interesting" was my personal experience with the "Barbara" on the voyage from Genoa to Civita Vecchia in November last year. We left Genoa about 8 o'clock in the evening with a fairly strong southerly wind, heavy rain and squalls. As the wind was against us naturally we could not operate the rotors. The ship worked very heavily as she was practically in ballast, and as I was going to sleep about 10 p.m. I was thinking that we should not be able to make any successful experiments with the rotors.

"Next morning the wind had gone round. A favourable north wind was blowing, and as I went on the bridge the rotors were in full operation. There was a fairly high sea, but the ship lay completely quiet in the water with a list of 4 degrees. We were going at a good 13 knots, with rotors and motors at full strength. It was about 7 a.m. We kept this speed until we were just off Civita Vecchia, where we arrived about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. This was a voyage which again completely proved the efficiency of the rotors. It must be remembered in this connection that the Mediterranean is actually the worst possible region for the using of rotors. Rotors will only show their full efficiency with steadily blowing winds, such as the trades, and the monsoon, and I have no doubt that on such voyages very great success can be obtained.

The Cost.

"With regard to the economies of the rotor, and in the first place its cost, it must be admitted that the "Barbara" cannot be regarded as a typical example. The cost of the rotors in the case of the "Barbara" were naturally disproportionately high. Little was known about their construction and many mistakes were made. Also they were built on land, and placed on the ship by means of heavy cranes, and in all these circumstances it is only natural that the "Barbara's" rotors were very costly. The next rotors that are produced will cost very much less. For one thing they will not be constructed on land, but direct on the ship, and since the fundamental conditions are now accurately known much useless labour and much time and trouble will be saved. Rotors can be worked very cheaply and require little supervision, and the oil consumption is small, about one kilogramme per hour per rotor.

"My personal opinion is that it is most economical to work the ship at full motor and rotor power—provided, of course, that the wind is favourable—and that thereby a 33 1-3 per cent. higher speed is reached, with, naturally, a 35 1-3 per cent. shortening of the duration of the voyage. The oil consumption in these circumstances is normal, and on long journeys the ship, in proportion to the length of the voyage, will be able to save quite a number of days, and every shipowner knows what that means with the present daily expenses of a ship. Naturally one cannot count upon favourable winds for the whole duration of the voyage, and therefore one must not calculate upon too high a percentage of economy, but even if the saving for the whole voyage is reckoned at only about 10-12 per cent., that will make an enormous difference over long distances. Of course, an endless number of improvements are necessary before we reach perfection—but I certainly think that our experiences with the "Barbara" have proved that in the rotor system there is something good of which maritime navigation can and must make use."

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The report of the A.B. Svenska Ostasiatiska Kompani states that the regular liner traffic in 1926 to China and Japan, together with British India, was maintained mainly on the same level as in the previous year, and the outgoing cargo was quite satisfactory on the whole. On the other hand, the return freight market for a large part of the year was in a special depressed condition. The improvement which took place in the general freight market later in the year, partly as a consequence of the coal strike in England, was also of some advantage to the Eastern market, although not to the same extent as markets in other parts.

The total receipts from shipping and other sources amounted to 2,710,000 kr., as compared with 1,920,000 kr. in the previous year. After defraying general expenses and appropriating 1,500,000 kr. for depreciation of the fleet, the accounts show net profits of 840,000 kr., as against 1,310,000 kr. in 1925. It is intended to pay a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent., being the same as in 1925.

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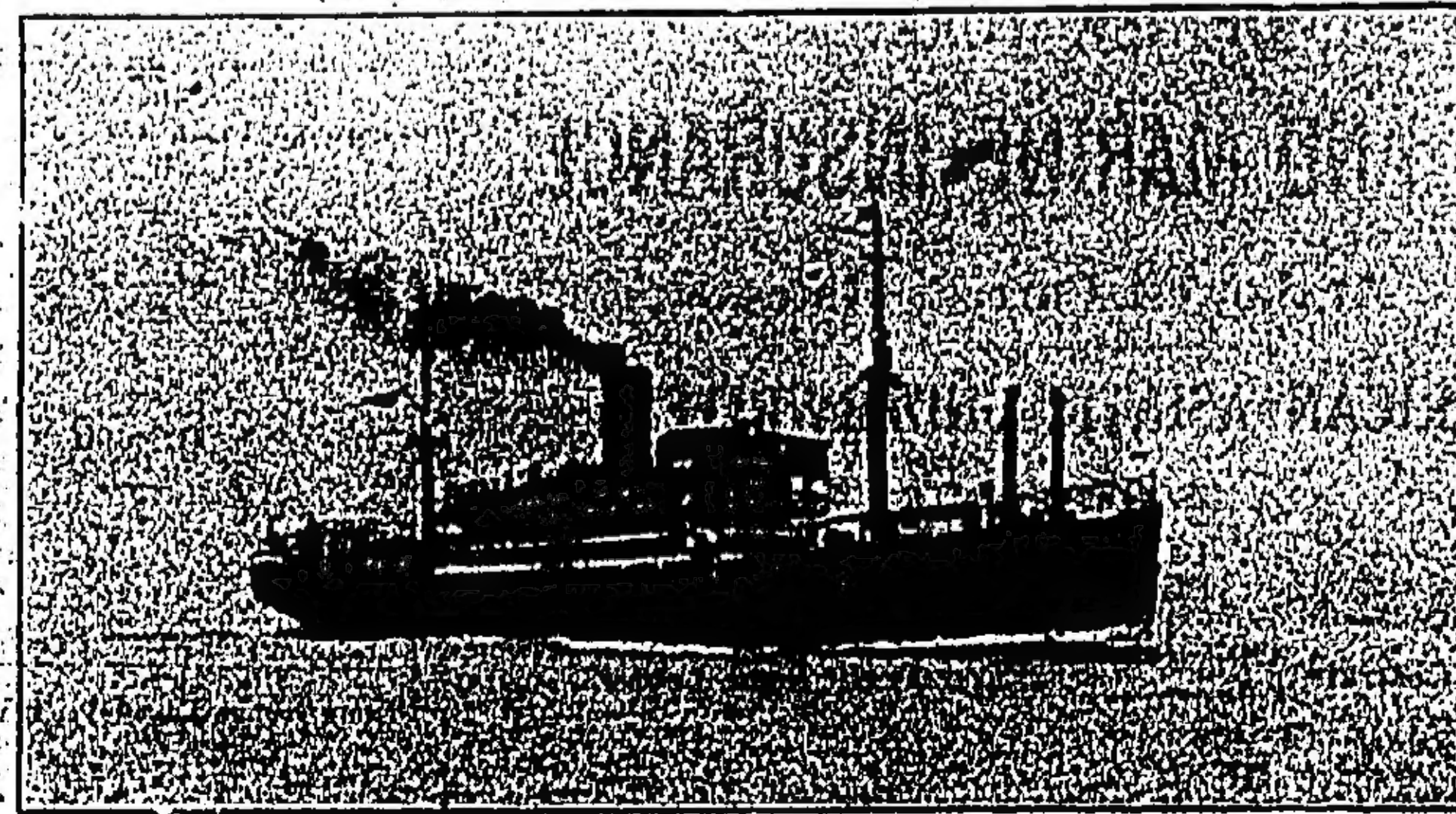
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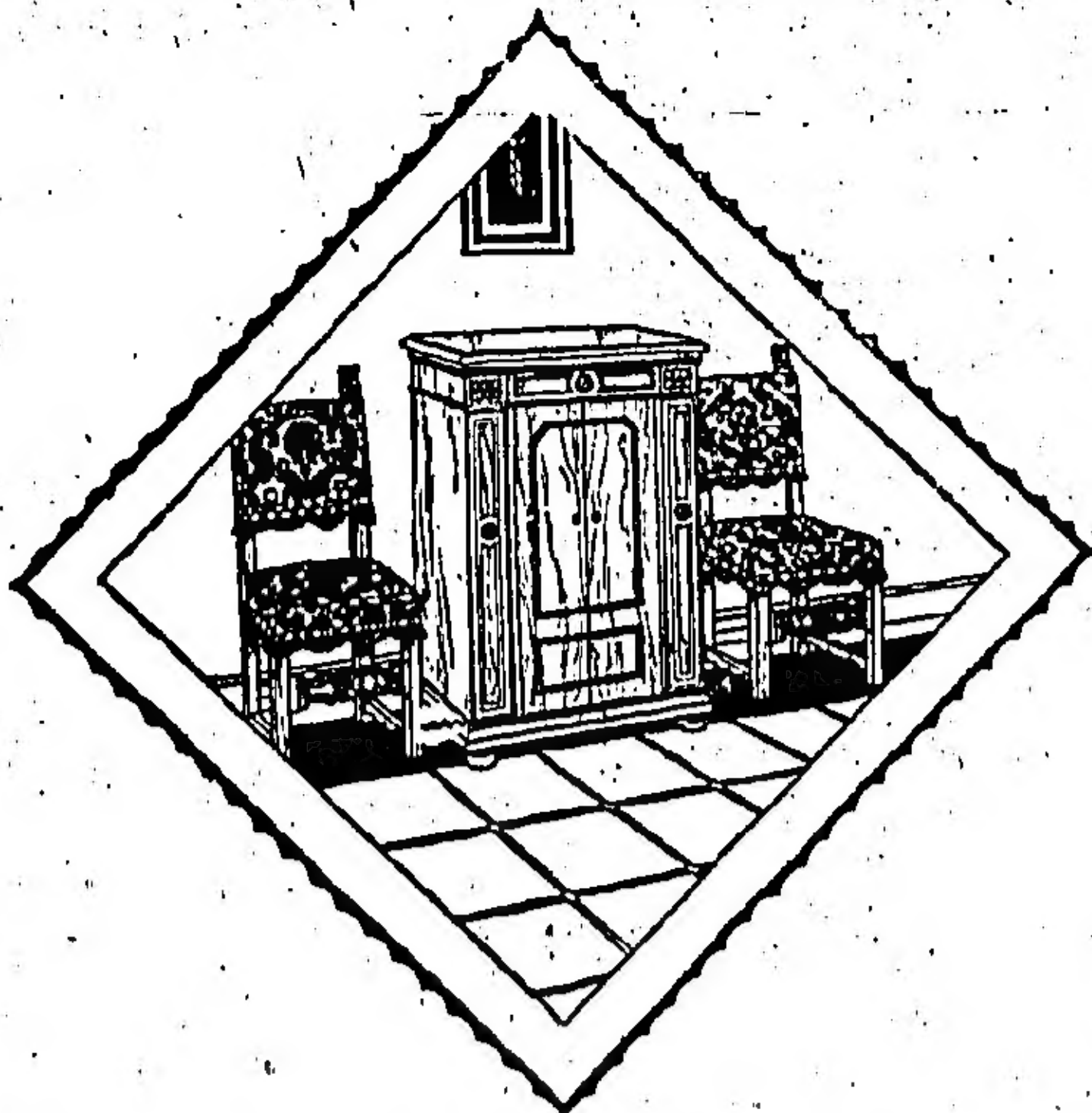
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In France the Communists have had a stern warning address-
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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE FIGURES.

The report of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. for presentation to the 46th annual meeting on May 17 reads as follows:—

The General Agents and Consulting Committee have pleasure in submitting a statement of the affairs of the Office made up to Dec. 31, 1926, in Sterling and Hong Kong currency.

1925 Account.—After paying an interim dividend of \$18 per share on May 18, 1926, the amount standing to the credit of this Account is \$674,362.81.

This is resolved to deal with in the following manner:—
To pay a final dividend... \$220,000.00
To add to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the year 1926... 454,362.81

1926 Account.—The amount standing at credit of this Account is \$2,351,296.94. Out of this the General Agents and Consulting Committee have declared an interim dividend of \$18 per share absorbing \$180,000.00. The balance of \$2,171,296.94 will be carried forward.

Consulting Committee.—The General Agents regret to have to record the death of Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., who has been actively interested in this Company since 1891 in the capacity of a member of the Consulting Committee.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, A. S. Gubbay, Henry Humphreys, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White retire but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

ROBBERY CHARGE.

Alleged to have been concerned in an armed robbery at No. 8, Yuk Ming Street, West Point, a Chinese was yesterday committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

The robbery, according to the mistress of the house, occurred in broad daylight on February 15. A knock came on the door at 1.15 p.m., and the amah answered it. Two strange men, carrying knives, entered the witness's cubicle. She was bound with string and gagged with an orange. After relieving the witness of a gold wrist watch the robbers ransacked the place. They broke several boxes and took clothing and \$4 in money.

Accused's excuse was that he was falsely charged because the woman's husband had a grudge against him.

EX-SOLDIER SAVED.

Believed to have jumped into the harbour from the s.s. "Shin-lung," a Chinese ex-soldier was picked up in the central railway shortly after midnight last night by the 2nd officer of the s.s. "Bellexo." The man is now in the Government Civil Hospital.

TWO CENTURIES.

Social and Industrial Conditions.

EFFECT ON THE EAST.

In delivering his lecture at the Helena May Institute last week on "Social and Industrial Conditions of the 19th and 20th Centuries," the Rev. W. T. Featherstone decided to omit any references to Hong Kong and China, pending more information and more propitious times. At the same time he remarked that China and the Far East appear to be almost compelled to do or be trying to do in half a century what Britain and other countries have done in from two to four centuries.

Until 1760 the country in Britain bore much the same general appearance for centuries. Then occurred a revolution, generally known as the Industrial Revolution, during which a country came into existence which would be unintelligible to any one living, for example, in the Renaissance and the Revolution. The Industrial Revolution of 1760 to 1840 is still going on; a revolution always involves reintegration and this was delayed a hundred years ago by the wars against the French Republic and Napoleon.

Piece Goods for the East.

Inventions of all kinds came along. Cotton and piece goods were the industry of the revolution, and the trade to the East and to the Far East in the first part of the 19th century encouraged this. Coal and iron and their transport became important. Britain had attained the premier place in foreign trade before she became the home of the great industries. She was a "nation of shopkeepers" before she became the "workshop of the world." Means of communication by land and sea improved in many ways and by many means.

Referring to the displacement of population caused by the Industrial Revolution, the lecturer said that people—men and women—were uprooted from their surroundings; traditional sanctions of religion and neighbourliness were upset; the new aggregate lacked tradition and self-respect. Here we can think of many comparisons in the East and in the West, perhaps most noticeable in the leaders of movements.

The abuse of child labour survived the war of 1815, and the temper and outlook of the next generation must be judged in the light of its upbringing. Shortly after the war ended the price of copper fell from \$180 to \$80 per ton and iron from \$20 to \$8. Iron and coal workers' wages were reduced in some cases to below subsistence levels—in some cases to six shillings per week. Great stocks of manufactured goods accumulated with a view to flooding foreign markets as soon as the war was over, were sold at ruinous prices because other countries were too poor to pay for them.

Taxes Upon Taxes.

Reference was next made to the multitude of taxes, the attempt to form Unions, and the famous Peterloo riots in 1819 which have been immortalised in Shelley's "Masque of Anarchy." It was just the same after the Great War, and it is the same in the East to-day. Young men with exaggerated ideas and little practical experience often think that social and industrial matters can be settled so easily.

Attention was next devoted by the lecturer to the various Reform Bills and Chartism—the latter aiming at social reform through political action—and to the Factory Code, the Shops Act, housing reforms, and public health, concluding with references to the Ministry of Reconstruction as recently as 1917.

Ideas and Suggestions.

Continuing, the lecturer said: It will have been noticed during this lecture that I have implied parts of a city or town. The sight of green grass and of trees reminds people of their country and their homes. It takes them out of themselves. Children should not be expected to have as a balanced view of history or finance. These people cause most trouble in the world if they get power to act alone. And when these people are removed from their traditional surroundings in new towns, e.g. in Nathan Road, Kowloon, could be kept the lives of the poor people, they generally make a mess of things; also in traffic administration especially in view of the great country. At the same time the world cannot do without its practical idealists. Directly they do a great deal of good, and indirectly they do a great deal of harm.

I suppose, scientific management is necessary, but it means drudgery and therefore should be counteracted by very short hours and opportunities for other pursuits and outdoor life. Most welfare schemes are too

BIAS BAY.

LONG ARM OF THE BRITISH NAVY.

HOME PAPER'S COMMENT.

In raiding the pirate centre at Bias Bay, on the coast of Southern China, the British Navy, says the "Daily Mail," was carrying out its historic role as preserver of the peace of the seas. Piracy is an offence against all nations equally, and therefore the duty of its suppression has always fallen to the predominant naval power.

Both on the coast of China and elsewhere the British Navy has long played the principal part in putting down piracy and the slave trade, and has thus earned the gratitude of the whole civilised world. For some two centuries, indeed, the seas have been kept practically safe by the unsleeping efforts of our seamen. From time to time there have, of course, been sporadic outbreaks, such as those in China, but the long arm of the Navy has always been swift to reach out and to restore order and security.

Throughout history it has always been recognised that the safety of the seas was an absolute essential of commerce. And when we consider how large would be the rewards of a successful pirate in these days we can appreciate more fully the work that the British Navy has done and the prestige it has gained for itself throughout the waters of the seven seas.

118 WATTS.

Mrs. George Watt, of Joppa, near Edinburgh, who has celebrated her 100th Birthday has 32 grandchildren, 77 great-grandchildren, and 8 great-great-grandchildren. Until recently four of Mrs. Watt's brothers and sisters—all over 90—lived within a mile of each other.

At present—an Englishwoman's life consists in making dirt and then chasing it about.—Dr. Saleeby.

patronising; I have seen welfare workers, fore-men and forewomen, very roughly handled.

A Paternalistic Government. The best solution is what I call a co-operative work under a paternalistic Government which will, by continual Committees and Boards, composed of all classes of people and brains, collect ideas, information, facts, and figures, and submit them to local Governments first and through them to the Central Government.

The Helena May Institute, for example, which is supposed, according to its constitution, to do definite Christian and social work, might well be the means of forming a Committee of British and Chinese, men and women, official servants and non-officials, to collect information, etc., on local social and industrial conditions, and to discuss them privately. Public discussion and talk would cause more harm than good. The Church of England Men's Society, the Mothers' Union, and the Victoria Diocesan Association could join in such work, which could have tremendous results not only in Hong Kong but in the neighbouring country. The C.E.M.S. has already done a great deal of good in connection with the Mui Tsai question.

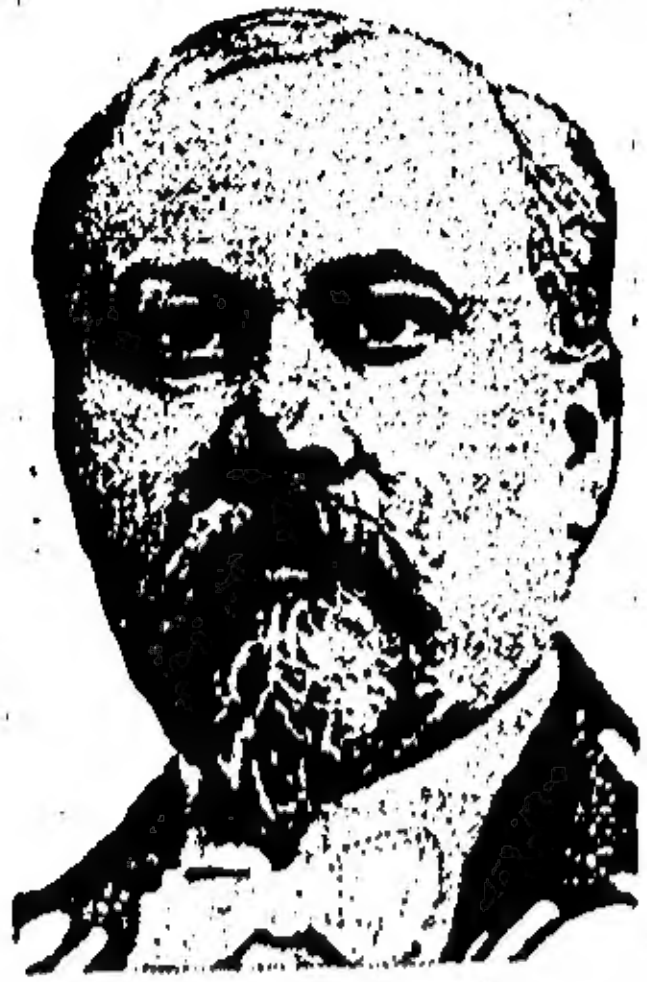
Paternal Powers. It should be remembered that a paternalistic Government can only act if it has paternal powers—that is the force behind it to exercise what I call a little "Old Testament religion when 'New Testament religion' is not understood. Because of the growth of towns and the herding of people together and the speeding up of work, two things are needed. People must be taught to occupy their spare time, and must have opportunities for so doing. The Playground Movement, started many years ago in America, might well be copied. Parks and open spaces should be kept in all parts of a city or town. The sight of green grass and of trees reminds people of their country and their homes. It takes them out of themselves. Children should not be expected to have as a balanced view of history or finance. These people cause most trouble in the world if they get power to act alone. And when these people are removed from their traditional surroundings in new towns, e.g. in Nathan Road, Kowloon, could be kept the lives of the poor people, they generally make a mess of things; also in traffic administration especially in view of the great country. At the same time the world cannot do without its practical idealists. Directly they do a great deal of good, and indirectly they do a great deal of harm.

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RED PLOTS.

FRENCH PREMIER'S STERN WARNING.
THE SAFETY OF THE STATE.

London, May 2.
"France is not a practice ground for Bolshevik imperialism and it is not by a return to primitive regimes that she will find the pro-



M. Poincaré, Premier of France.

gress of civilization and the happiness of humanity."

Thus M. Poincaré at Bar le Duc opening the Council General of the Meuse.

M. Poincaré warned the Communists that the laws of the Republic would be applied energetically to suppress any criminal attempt to menace the discipline of the Army and the safety of the State.—Reuter.

EUROPE'S PEACE.

YUGO-SLAVIA AND THE POWERS.
POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION.

Rugby, May 2.
As a result of a communication made by the Italian Government to the British, French, German and other Governments on March 19, in which attention was called to certain military preparations stated to be proceeding in Yugoslavia it has been indeed useless at this date, to conduct an enquiry into the past, but that should fresh occasion arise while conversations in progress representatives of Great Britain, France and Germany are to be available to carry out an immediate enquiry.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, stated: "I need not say that throughout I have acted in agreement with the French and German, as well as with the Italian and Serb-Croatian Governments to arrive at a solution which I am confident is required by both the Italian and Yugo-Slav Governments and has been to dissipate a possible source of friction and lead to the promotion of a full discussion between Rome and Belgrade. The British Government have no other interest in the question than the preservation of peace.—British Wireless Service.

SERIOUS ASSAULTS.

EGYPTIAN COURTS' GRAVE LAXITY.

Rugby, May 2.
Answering a question, in the House of Commons, the Foreign Secretary expressed regret that it had been necessary for the British High Commissioner to call the serious attention of the Egyptian Government to sentences passed by the Egyptian Commission on Egyptian subjects connected with assaults on European women. During 1926, he said, there was a number of cases of such assaults on British subjects, and recently a similar assault was perpetrated on a European lady of other nationality in peculiarly brutal circumstances. The sentences imposed by the Egyptian courts in these cases were in the most instances the minimum prescribed by the law, and had proved inadequate as a deterrent. The reply of the Egyptian Government to Lord Lloyd's representations, which had received the approval of His Majesty's Government, had not yet been received.—British Wireless Service.

PRINCESS JULIANA.

TAKES SEAT IN COUNCIL OF STATE.

The Hague, May 2.
Princess Juliana at an extraordinary sitting of the Council of State took her seat in accordance with the constitution.
The Queen, accompanied by the Prince Consort, introduced her daughter.—Reuter.

FRENCH FLIGHT.

Agadir, May 2.
The French aviators Captain Desaintroman and Lieutenant Mounayres have left for St. Louis, Senegal, en route to Cape Verde Islands, whence they will attempt to fly to Brazil.—Reuter.

MURDER CHARGE.

LIEUT. DUFFIELD TO STAND TRIAL.
A QUESTION OF ACCOUNTS.

Gibraltar, May 2.
Lieut. Duffield, charged with murder, has been committed for trial at the next criminal sessions. The evidence showed that Lieut. Duffield was in charge of the Rifle Club, including the accounts of the Battalion.

An order was produced requiring the accused to present the accounts on April 6. Lieut. Duffield did not produce the accounts.
The chief accountant of Barclay's Bank at Gibraltar gave evidence that only £18 14s. was standing to the credit of the Rifle Club.—Reuter.

Lieutenant Colonel J. S. FitzGerald, commanding the Second Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment, was shot dead by Lieut. A. C. Duffield of the same regiment. At the opening of the inquest the adjutant gave evidence that Lieut. Duffield entered the orderly room to see Col. FitzGerald, after which two shots were heard and the adjutant rushed into the room. Lieut. Col. FitzGerald then said "He has shot me. Arrest him." When the trial began two statements by the accused were read out. The first said "I am perfectly sane and I know what I have done." The second apologised for the extra work he had given but pointed out that he would not be kept there long as it was a civil charge. The statement added that, since arrival at Gibraltar the Colonel had "given up all ideas of soldiering and it was better that one man should die than a whole regiment should be ruined. I made a mess of things. I missed with the first shot and hit him with the second which was meant for myself."

SENATORE MARCONI.

ENGAGED TO ITALIAN COUNTESS.

Rome, May 2.
The engagement of Senatore Marconi to the Countess Bezzani



Senatore Marconi.

of Rome is officially announced.—Reuter.

The Hon. Senatore Guglielmo Marconi, D.Sc., I.L.D., who is 51 years of age was born at Bologna. Senatore Marconi has won fame and wealth through developing wireless telegraph. His mother was an Irishwoman and in 1905 he married an Irishwoman, the Hon. Beatrice O'Brien, a daughter of the 14th Baron Inchiquin. The marriage was dissolved in 1924, the former Miss O'Brien the same year marrying the Marquis de Montecorno. Senatore Marconi has one son and two daughters by his first marriage.

A PROD IN THE DARK.

Hankow, April 20.
A British sailor was making a tour of inspection on the str. "Kungwo" to-day when he saw a bit of white in a coal bunker. It was dark and he poked his bayonet into it to bring up what he thought to be paper or rag. But with a piercing shriek the bit of white heaved itself into the air. It was a part of a stow-away Chinese.
At once the pile of coal became a living, heaving, mass for, alarmed at the outcry, eleven companions of the man threw off their covering of coal. They were fairly well dressed, not by any means of the coolie type. They were marshalled ashore by guards.

MOTOR CAR ON FIRE.

The radiator and engine of motor-car No. 582 were damaged in a fire yesterday in Woosung Street, Yumai.
This occurred some time after 10 a.m. The car was left unattended outside the Chung King restaurant and the fire was due to an accident. Kowloon's Fire Brigade received a call and put out the blaze.

THEFT FROM EUROPEAN.

Mr. M. A. Grant, a missionary who is now living at No. 69, Sakung Road, Kowloon City, has informed the Police that at 8 p.m. yesterday, he missed a sum of \$75 in banknotes from a jacket which he put in a bathroom.

"VERY CLEVER."

FORGED \$500 BANK NOTE IN COURT.
THE STORY OF A TRAP.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday afternoon heard evidence in case in which a Chinese is charged with the unlawful possession of a forged \$500 note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

The prosecution was conducted by Sub-inspector Shaftain. Mr. G. R. Hayward appeared for the defence.

Mr. J. B. Milne, of the Bank, said the forgery was a very clever one, the only fault being that the small and thin lines were blurred. The colour, he added, was "just a bit too dark."

The principal witness was a local Chinese reporter. According to him he was first introduced to accused in December last. The next time he saw accused was in the middle of February. He was in a tea house when accused came to his table and whispered that he had forged notes for sale. The witness decided to lead the defendant on and promising to get a buyer made an appointment to meet him again. They had another chance meeting at the same tea house, and then the witness reported the matter to Lo Chung-ye of the Labour Maintenance Bureau. A third meeting occurred on April 25 at the Star Ferry wharf when accused said the notes had arrived, and gave an address in Upper Lascar Row where they could be inspected. Witness again informed Lo Chung-ye and then acting on instruction went to the address given by accused. Here accused made an appointment to meet at the Yaumati tea house, telling witness to take his interested friend there.

The witness kept the appointment together with a man from the Labour Maintenance Bureau named Wong Ching. Explaining that he had an unlimited supply of forged notes, accused produced a \$10 note. Wong Ching asked accused to bring notes to the face value of \$1,000, and accused agreed to supply one \$500 note and fifty \$10 notes, for \$45 per \$100. Having arranged to meet at the Star Hotel they parted. An arrangement was made with the police to keep watch outside the hotel. Accused kept the appointment and took a \$500 note from one of his socks. He explained he did not bring the \$10 notes because they were too bulky.

A pre-arranged signal was then given and the police came in and arrested accused.

The hearing was adjourned until 2.15 on Thursday next.

SCOUTS & POLITICS.

DANGER OF CONFUSING IDEALS.

COMMISSIONER'S ADVICE.

The change in the constitution of the Scouts Association of Hong Kong which was outlined at a special meeting last year when H.E. the Governor addressed the Scouts has taken place, and we learn from the current number of "Silver Wolf" that the local Scout Council is now in being with a strong and influential Executive Committee. "We cannot express our gratitude sincerely enough to His Excellency our Chief Scout, our President and the other members of the Council who have been good enough to give up yet more of their valuable time for our benefit," writes the Commissioner in his letter.

"The objects of such a Council are well known," continues the Commissioner, "and its existence is a pledge of the sure foundation on which we rest. The presence on this Committee of so many well-known Chinese residents in the Colony must surely help to relieve the fears and doubts of any who are still not quite sure whether Scouting is a military and a racial movement or not."

The Commissioner emphasises that the Scout movement is definitely working for peace and international friendship and continues that the danger now seems to be lest ill-disposed persons make use of Scouts for political purposes. "We cannot lay too much stress on the fact that Scouts are not as such, permitted to take part in political demonstrations of any kind."

"While it is only common sense that any young man of reason should understand something about the Government of his country, and of the place of his abode, and also how to use correctly any privileges which may belong to him as a citizen, it is also quite clear that to allow Scouting and Scouts as such to be used as a tool by politicians would be to negative the whole idea of good friendship and citizenship in its highest sense as taught by the Movement."

The current "Silver Wolf" also contains a résumé of the activities of various troops and the Girl Guides, with an article on the "Rangers" camp at Shek-O. Notes for Patrol Leaders (by B. M. Talati), the winning Essay in the competition on "Honour," the Rovers and Scouters' Section, a story "The Fairy Tenderfoot," (by C.H.B.) and other records of activities and advice.

I have seen sometimes a few aged people staggering around the National Gallery, and yet we spend thousands of pounds a year on it.—Sir Thomas Beecham.

PEAK TRAM FARES.

MID-LEVEL RESIDENTS' PROTEST.

LETTER TO COMPANY.

The increased Peak Tram charges between May Road and the Lower Terminus is the subject of a letter from the Mid-Levels Residents' Association to the Company, a copy of which and of the Company's reply has been forwarded for publication by the Residents' Association.

The Association claims that the increase is out of all proportion to increased facilities and the Company points to the fact that it is at the particular point of the line in question that the cost of running is greatest.

The letters are as follows:
Messrs. John D. Humphreys and Son, General Managers, Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.

Dear Sirs,—This Association has noticed your advertisement announcing the proposed increase in the cost of Season Tickets between May Road and the Lower Terminus. The old rate was \$21 per quarter (or \$7 per month), which was raised to \$3, but holders were entitled to travel the whole distance either way. It is now proposed to raise the rate to \$10 or in other words, Mid-Level residents are to pay \$1 more for the privilege of travelling only half the distance they have hitherto been permitted to travel.

This is an increase of no less than 42.75 per cent. over the rate ruling only 3 years ago, and is considered by this Association as entirely out of proportion to the increase of facilities enjoyed by travellers to and from May Road station, especially when it is remembered that Peak season-ticket holders are not being asked to pay any more than they were at that time.

I am directed by my Committee to put these facts before you with a view to the old rates being retained.—I am, etc.

(Sd.) Walter G. Joseph.

Hong Kong, March 30.
W. G. Joseph Esq., Hon. Secretary, The Mid-Levels Residents' Association.

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo on the subject of the cost of monthly tickets between May Road and the Lower Terminus, we have to inform you that the matter was laid before the Board yesterday and they regret they are unable to reverse their previous decision and that the revised prices as advertised in the notice dated March 28 must stand. It is further considered the increased facilities at May Road, taken in conjunction with the fact that it is at that point of the line where the load is heaviest and the cost of running greatest, that the extra charge made for contract tickets is warranted.—Yours, etc., (Sd.) John D. Humphreys and Son, Hong Kong, April 12.

"CHINA IN CHAOS."

Copies should be secured by all foreigners of "China in Chaos," a survey of recent events by the North-China Daily News and Herald, Ltd. of Shanghai. Illustrated with a large map and photos, this booklet of 56 pages serves both as a handy reference and an informative narrative of the present upheaval in China, with particular regard to the Concessions and the interests of foreigners.

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COLONY'S HEALTH.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST WEEK.

TEN TYPHOID DEATHS.

Last week's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, as reported to the Medical Officer of Health, comprised:

Small-pox: 1 Chinese case from the city—total 1; 2 deaths.
Diphtheria: 1 Chinese case from the city—total 1; no death.
Enteric fever (typhoid): 10 cases from the city, 1 from the New Territories—total 11 (all Chinese, 2 cases imported); 10 deaths.
Cerebro-spinal fever: 2 Chinese cases from the city—total 2; 2 deaths.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

May 3—Queen's Theatre: "His Secretary."

May 3—World Theatre: "Charlie's Aunt."

May 3—Star Theatre: "Wild Oranges."

May 3—Tea Dance at Cafe Restaurant Parisien, from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m.

May 3—Concert for Servicemen, Chater Road, Y.M.C.A., Queen's Building, 6.30 p.m.

May 4—Cafe Restaurant Parisien holds Dress Carnival Dinner Dance at which function prizes for ladies will be presented.

May 4—Grand "Social of St. Peter's Young Men's Club, 8.45 p.m.

May 6—Annual dinner (Engineer Co.) and presentation of shooting prizes, H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters, 8 p.m.

May 13—Smoking concert at Volunteer Headquarters 9.15 p.m. and distribution of rifle meeting prizes.

Sports.

May 5—6—Royal Artillery Athletic Meeting, United Services Recreation ground, Kowloon, 2 p.m. each day.

May 7—Third extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, Race Course, Happy Valley, 2.30 p.m.

May 11—Exhibition Tennis, H.K.C.C., 4 p.m., for M.C.L.

May 24—Meeting of Fanling Hunt Steeplechases.

Meetings.

May 3—Meeting of the Sanitary Board, 4.15 p.m.

May 6—Annual meeting of Work-shippers at the Peak Church in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

May 7—Third annual meeting of China Underwriters, Ltd., St. George's Bldg., 11.30 a.m.

May 9—Officers' Mess Meeting H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters, 6.30 p.m.

May 10—Meeting of the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's board room, noon.

May 14—China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.'s thirtieth meeting, St. George's Bldg., noon.

May 17—Forty-sixth annual meeting of the Canton Insurance Co., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

May 20—Fifty-fourth meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Union Bldg., 11 a.m.

May 20—Fifty-eighth meeting of the China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Union Bldg., 11.20 a.m.

May 20—Sixty-first meeting of "The" Insurance Co., Ltd., Union Building, 11.15 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

May 3—St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club hold whist drive, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. E. M. Gull, formerly of Shanghai, addressed the 1900 Club on "China" on March 30.

Nearly 3,000 people were cremated in England last year, compared with 461 in 1902.

A Chinese girl, 12 years of age, has been bitten by a chow dog in both her arms and legs and is now in the Government Civil Hospital. She lives at No. 9, College View and the dog attacked her near her home.

Four hours after being admitted to hospital yesterday, a Chinese man died from opium poisoning, believed to have been self-administered. He lived at No. 6, Yee On Terrace. The motive is not at present known.

Dr. Hiroshi Kusama (representing the League of Nations) and Dr. T. C. Chin, of China, are among a party of foreign medical officers visiting England under the auspices of the League of Nations. They were entertained at dinner on March 25 by the Council of the Institute of Hygiene.

Viscount Incheape has subscribed £2,000 in response to the Y.M.C.A. appeal for funds to establish its work with the Shanghai Defence Force, 1904 has also been subscribed by others, and Sir Arthur Yapp, the National Secretary, says the total expenditure involved cannot amount to less than £5,000 and may be considerably more.

Rain was registered at the Botanic Gardens on 16 days last month, the total being 8.08 inches. On only one day, the 20th, was there more than an inch, namely, 2.75 inches. On eight of the days, the rainfall was less than an inch but more than a third of an inch. There were five continuous days of rainfall, from the 5th to the 9th and seven consecutive days of no rain, from 23rd to 29th.

Colonel Cecil L'Estrange Malone, whose activities in Britain on behalf of the Chinese Nationalist cause have lately been noted, has been selected as prospective candidate for Northampton. He is described as one of the young aristocrats of the Labour movement. Son of a Yorkshire clergyman, he is a great-grandson of the Earl of Scarborough, and a cousin of the present Earl of Liverpool. During the war he was Air Representative on the Supreme War Council at Versailles, afterwards Coalition M.P. for Leyton, when he got into serious trouble for paying an unauthorized visit to Soviet Russia. Last year he paid a visit to China and Japan. And he is yet only 36.

A smoking concert is to be held by the commandant and officers of the Defence Corps at Volunteer Headquarters at 8.15 p.m. on May 13 when the rifle meeting prizes will be distributed.

Monday's return of notifiable disease in the Colony comprised four Chinese cases from the city registration district, two of diphtheria, one of small-pox and one of enteric fever (typhoid).

Seeing a schoolboy in London run over by a steam lorry and fatally injured, a Roman Catholic priest named Father Joyce, got off his cycle and gave conditional absolution in the roadway amidst a large and reverent crowd. Father Joyce declares that a priest is entitled to give such conditional absolution when the religion of a dying person is unknown, because such person might be a Catholic.

Mr. James F. Bellard, an American who claims to have bought a rug from the Boy Emperor of China for \$15,000, is in London. The rug is 12 feet square, woven about 1736. Mr. Bellard started life as a clerk in a chemist's shop in Michigan, and eventually became a drug manufacturer. He has travelled 425,000 miles and estimates that he has spent at least \$150,000 on rugs. Part of his collection he gave to the Metropolitan Museum of New York.

Local estate amounting to \$304,800 was left by the late Mr. E. M. Joseph, bachelor, formerly of Hong Kong and late of Shanghai, who died there on February 27, 1927. Re-sealing of exemplification of letters of administration has been granted to Mr. G. C. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Maister, lawful attorney of Mr. R. M. Joseph, 74 Szechuen Road, Shanghai, the late Mr. Joseph's brother. In addition to local estate, there was also left considerable estate in Shanghai.

Says the "North China Daily News": Nationalist scouts made an important capture beyond the British outpost at Jessfield on Wednesday. There were sounds of a terrific cannonading and troops doubled out from all quarters to rope in a delightful old character beloved of snipe-shooters for at least 30 years past. With his ancient flintlock gasp, and for a consideration, the old boy always was ready to make up the deficiencies in any amateur sportsman's bag. Now he is locked up in Lunghua, charged with fomenting a counter-revolution, or something of the kind. Some-one really ought to get him out.

The total number of persons on the registers of employment exchanges in Great Britain on March 21 was 1,078,500. This was 40,236 fewer than the week before, but 39,146 more than a year ago.

There were five Chinese cases of notifiable disease in the Colony during the week-end, all from the city registration district. Two each were of diphtheria and enteric fever (typhoid) and the other was of cerebro-spinal fever.

The Prince of Wales on April 11, inaugurated the "Daily Mail's" new home, "Northcliffe House," the most up-to-date newspaper office in the world. He toured through the giant building and started printing the night's edition by pressing a button mounted on a silver frame.

Meat extract, milk, eggs, chicken, and calf's foot jelly were stated to have been included in the diet of Charles Woodman, 52, a Tacklart (sle of Wight) convict who died from phthisis and exhaustion after being in the prison hospital for two years and upon whom an inquest was held in mail week.

An "Evening News" report states that a girl baby, believed to be the world's smallest, was born in Battersea in December, weighing 34 ounces, and measuring fifteen inches. She now weighs four pounds and has survived bronchitis having been nursed in a maternity home surrounded by hot-water bottles and cottonwool. She has since been removed home. Her mother and sister are in perpetual attendance. The matron says that the child is a living miracle. Firstly it resembled a doll and seemed unlikely to survive. She however, expected the baby to grow up into a healthy child.

Mr. J. S. Gillingham, Chief Constructor of H.M. Dockyard in Hong Kong, who is being transferred to the Admiralty, is to be succeeded here by Mr. J. C. Joughin, Senior Constructor at Devonport Dockyard. Mr. Joughin, who served four years in Hong Kong as an assistant constructor (leaving in 1910) represented the Admiralty at the shipyards of Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie, Hebburn, and Messrs. Palmers, Jarrow and was subsequently in charge of the building of H.M.S. "Queen Mary" and H.M.S. "Resolution," being instructed in 1914 to prepare for sea the Turkish battleship "Sultan Osman." Mr. Joughin's appointments included that of constructor on the staff of the Director of Warship Production, later holding the positions of Senior Constructor and Warship Production Superintendent, N.E. District.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Lady Ho Tung has taken 11, Lancaster Gate, and will reside there during her sojourn in England with her two daughters.

Lady Macnaghten, Mr. F. G. Penny, M.P., and Mrs. Penny, and Mr. and Mrs. S. B. McElterry (of Hong Kong) were among the guests of Mrs. Amery, wife of the Secretary for the Dominions, at an At Home on March 23.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong yesterday by the "President Jefferson" from Manila included Mrs. J. J. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McSwaine, Captain and Mrs. J. C. Russell, Lt.-Comdr. and Mrs. V. S. Armstrong, Lt. and Mrs. A. R. Harris.

The Rev. T. Biggin, M.A., of the London Mission, Sino Chang, near Tehchow, who embarked at Tientsin, is passing through Hong Kong to-day on his way home on furlough. He has been in China 27 years, his first experiences being the Boxer riots of 1900. In common with numerous other missionaries he was instructed to evacuate Sino Chang, but fortunately he was left to quit without any terrifying or exciting experiences.

Prince Tokugawa, President of the Japan-America Society, sent a telegram on Friday to the National Memorial Foundation at Washington to express the appreciation of the Society here for the cherry blossom festival which the Foundation is sponsoring in Washington. The telegram points out that the mutual celebration of the cherry blossom season is one more bond between the two nations.

In command of the "Bluebell" since February, 1926, Commander G. C. Muirhead-Gould, D.S.C., has been appointed to the "Hawkins," additional, for special service. He is one of the few naval officers who have passed through a course at the Military Staff College, Camberley. Intelligence Officer in the Mediterranean flag ship in 1920-22, he was afterwards in the H.M.S. "Calio" on the East India Station. Commander R. W. Blacklock, D.S.C., who succeeded him in the "Bluebell," attained his present rank in June, 1925, and was formerly in command of the "Marazion," attached to the submarine flotilla in China. The "Bluebell" has been at Hong Kong since November last.

Mr. E. B. Stuart-Edwards, exchange broker Kobe and past president of the Kobe Club, was guest of 30 members of the Club at a farewell dinner at which Mr. H. L. Mullins presided.

The "Suwa Maru" arrived from London via Singapore on Sunday and sailed to-day for Shanghai and Japan. Among the passengers on board were Lt. J. D. S. Keenan, Dr. S. Hara, Dr. Y. Otani, Commander Y. Funakawa, Captain Y. Koh, Major F. M. Russell, Dr. T. Shionoya.

As Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Scots, Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascelles, spent a busy day in the Edinburgh district. At the Glen Corse depot of the regiment in open procession she had but one message to convey to them: "May all who pass in on the threshold of their career learn how best to devote themselves to the service of their country and of their regiment. May those who go out to join their battalions remember the deeds done in the Great War by those Royal Scots whose fame is commemorated by these gates. After luncheon with the officers the Princess visited the sergeants' mess and the Royal Scots Institute, and later in the afternoon, in the gymnasium took tea with the wives and families of the men of the regiment."

One of the most original wedding presents I have ever heard of is that which is to be given by the Duchess of Hamilton to Mr. C. E. Macintosh on his marriage this spring to her daughter, Lady Jean Douglas-Hamilton (says a "Daily Express" writer). It consists of a school in which Mr. Macintosh, who has already had some experience as a teacher, will act as headmaster. It is a curious fact that Mr. Macintosh, who is a remarkable all-round athlete and probably one of the best English skiers had never ridden a horse before he met his future wife, Lady Jean, and her sister, Lady Margaret Douglas-Hamilton, are famed for their prowess in the hunting field. Their brother, Lord Clydesdale, is known to the world as "the boxing matron," and it was through him that Lady Jean met her fiancé.

Mr. and Mrs. K. McIntyre were among the Hong Kong passengers who sailed from Hong Kong on the "Arafura." They are going to Brisbane. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilson are going by the same boat and Mr. P. V. Cotter to Sydney.

A well-known old Peking resident, Mr. H. P. Hearson, formerly an officer in the British Navy, committed suicide on April 25 with a shot-gun. Mr. Hearson was in ill-health recently, suffering from heart trouble. He left a note saying that he feared he was losing his mind and that he no longer was of use to anyone.

Mrs. Alister Campbell left Shanghai for home by the P. & O. s.s. "Malwa." Among those present on the jetty to see her off were Col. Gordon and the officers and warrant officers of the Shanghai Scottish, S.V.C., which unit presented her with a handsome basket of flowers in appreciation of the work she did for the Scottish while her late husband was in command.

Group Captain J. A. Chamier, who has handed over the appointment of Chief of the Air Staff in India to Group Captain R. P. Mills, proceeds to England to succeed Group Captain H. M. Cave-Brown-Cave as Deputy Director of Design in the Department of the Air Member for Supply and Research. Group Captain Chamier, who was associated with Sir John Salmond in the enquiry into the condition of the Royal Air Force in India in 1921, took up the appointment of Chief of the Air Staff in the early part of 1923, and has thus been intimately connected with the reorganization and expansion which the force has undergone since that year. Besides being a most capable air officer Group Captain Chamier is an enthusiastic student of the science of flight, and he has publicly lectured on that subject and in particular on the possibilities of gliding. An Old Pauline, he was originally in the Indian Army and saw his first active service in the Somaliland Campaign of 1904. In the Great War he won the D.S.O. and the military O.B.E., and subsequently was decorated with the C.M.G. and the C.B. He has rendered valuable service to the cause of aviation in India, and his promotion to this important appointment which he is about to take up will be welcomed as a thoroughly deserved honor.

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H.K.C.C. TENNIS.

SEMI-FINAL IN SINGLES TO-DAY.

CONCLUDING MATCHES.

There was no play yesterday in the H.K.C.C. tennis tournament, on account of the morning's rain.

Tentative fixtures, subject to the weather are:—

To-day: Singles semi-final, Ng Sze-kwong v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Wednesday: Singles semi-final, T. Honda v. S. A. Rumjahn.

The dates of the singles final and doubles final (H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn v. T. Honda and H. Akiyama) were originally fixed for Thursday and Friday.

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QUARRY BAY CUP.

SCOTTISH COMPANY'S FINE DISPLAY.

Fuller details are to hand of the points awarded in the Quarry Bay Cup open to platoons of the Scottish Company, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps (fired on Saturday afternoon) and won by No. 7 City Platoon.

The points were as follows:—

No. 7 No. 6 No. 5 (Kow-Tai) (City) (loot) (Kao)

Attendance 50 100 25

March Past 100 25 50

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BIG FIGHT.

MILLIGAN v. MICKEY WALKER.

MR. COCHRANE'S VIEWS.

London, May 2. Mr. C. B. Cochrane after months of negotiation, finds it impossible to stage the Tom Milligan v. Mickey Walker fight at Blackpool for the world's middleweight boxing championship. He telegraphed the firm of Blackpool contractors that it would be prudent to abandon the project of building a stadium and says he is still confident that Blackpool is the best place for the fight if there is sufficient time for construction and organisation. Reuter.

Change of Location. Later, A Glasgow telegram states that Mr. Cochrane says he has abandoned the idea of staging fight at Blackpool and it is to be held at Olympia, London on June 30. Reuter.

Shanghai Races.

WARRENFIELD'S EXCELLENT TIME.

SPRING MEET, 1ST DAY.

The four days' annual spring meeting of the Shanghai Race Club began yesterday and results are given below (by courtesy).

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A CHARMING PROGRAMME.

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Miss Annie Weir was Queen of the May and looked very pretty in her head dress of flowers. All the pupils of the school took part in the festival, representing Pagos, Violets, Primroses, Snowdrops and Country Boys. The main attraction was, of course, the Maypole Dance, the little ones acquitting themselves admirably. The Flower Dance, "Heresies" and Spring Dance were also very prettily executed. Of the songs of the programme the most popular was "The Saucy Sailor," which produced much laughter. Other songs were "To the Maypole," "I Sing," "The Daisy, Blackbird and Bee," "May Time," "Cuckoo Song," "Lullaby," "Skye Boat Song," "Dabbling in the Dew" and "May-time is Playtime."

"If I were King" easily took pride of place amongst the poems, while "Missing" (Has anybody seen my little mouse) was also well applauded. Other poems were "Daffodowilly," "Crowing," "Breakfast," "Riches," and "Spring."

The music for the dances and songs was played by Mrs. Creasy (piano) and Messrs. Creasy and Webber (violin).

In the course of the proceedings the Headmistress (Miss G. M. Cotton) welcomed those present and expressed the thanks of the school to all those who had helped in the organisation of the festival, and mentioned the Talkoo Sugar Refinery staff.

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BURIED IN SOOT.

LONDON'S COSTLY SMOKE SCREEN.

SOME LITTLE KNOWN FACTS.

At the top of a tall building in Victoria Street, London, is a quiet little room where everything known about the habits and peculiarities of smoke fogs is filed and indexed. Here I met Dr. Owens, Britain's leading professor of fogs, says a writer in a Home paper.

"Hundreds of tons of soot float in the air during a London smoke fog," he told me. "If the fog is 300 to 400 feet deep, about 200 to 250 tons are suspended over the city. And this weight of soot is produced in about three hours by the fires lit on a winter's morning."

Although the wind sweeps most of this smoke away, much of it settles on houses and streets. In 1919, for instance, an average of 370 tons settled on every square mile, which means that upwards of 60,000 tons were deposited over the whole city; 1924 showed the remarkably reduced figure of approximately 300 tons per square mile.

17,000,000 Tons of Coal.

"London burns something like 17,000,000 tons of coal a year," Dr. Owens continued, "and the wind is its best ventilator. To illustrate the effect of wind on the atmosphere of a great city it is best to imagine a single chimney belching smoke into a steady wind. With the wind blowing at four miles an hour, one hour's smoke is distributed over four miles. If it falls to one mile an hour, however, the same amount of smoke is stretched over one mile and is four times as dense."

Apart from foggy days, the quantity of smoke and other impurities floating in London's atmosphere varies each hour. From midnight until about 5 a.m. the air is comparatively pure. But at seven o'clock on week-days it thickens rapidly, reaching its densest at about ten o'clock. After this it clears gradually, with a slight increase at six in the evening. On Sundays the densest period is at about eleven o'clock. In the same way, most great cities have their clearest and thickest periods, which vary considerably.

Nearly 50 per cent. of the sunshine London should receive is shut off by its smoke cap. During bad fogs over a million particles float in every cubic inch of London air, whilst on even an ordinary winter's day 70,000 is a moderate estimate.

"Occasionally shaped like kidneys, soot particles are usually formed irregularly. Numbers of round, glassy-looking particles are frequently found, however. Sometimes red and sometimes yellow, these are derived from the fused ash from fires."

Soot Falls Slowly.

An hourly record of the amount of impurity in the air is kept by an ingenious automatic apparatus invented by Dr. Owens. A disc of absorbent white paper, 7in. in diameter, is divided into twenty-four divisions similarly to the face of a clock. This is attached to the top of a machine which causes it to revolve completely once in a day and night.

The disc is protected from the air in such a way that only one little round spot, 1/4in. in diameter, situated near its edge, is exposed at one time. When the first spot has absorbed as much of the impurity in the air as it can hold and has become discoloured, another is exposed automatically.

The Tell-Tale Disc.

In this way two or more dark patches, varying in shade according to the condition of the atmosphere, are made on the disc each hour. When these are compared with a set scale of tint shades, ranging from white to nearly black, which are known to represent definite "weights" of impurity, the number of tons of soot floating in the air at any given time can be calculated.

"Soot particles are light" and settle very slowly," Dr. Owens concluded. "Shot from the top of a chimney 100ft. high into perfectly still air, they would take nearly three weeks to settle. When a strong wind is blowing they often travel hundreds of miles before touching ground."

Curiously enough, most London fogs occur on Wednesdays and fewest on Saturdays.

A LINCOLN TIP.

A witness at Hull told the stipendiary magistrate, Mr. J. E. Macdonald, that he studied horses in his spare time.

A solicitor: Do you know anything about the Lincoln?

Witness: Yes, I can give you the winner.

Mr. Macdonald: Well, do me the great kindness of not telling me.

When Mr. Macdonald told him at the conclusion of the evidence that he could go and look after his horses, the man replied: "Helter Skelter for the Lincoln, Mr. Now don't forget it." (Laughter.)

LUNG POWER.

SIR O. LODGE AND GAS METER.

JIG-SAW MODEL OF BODY.

When Professor A. V. Hill concluded the fourth of his lectures to juveniles at the Royal Institution, he invited the audience to come to his table and examine the apparatus with which he had been experimenting. Among the first to come forward was Sir Oliver Lodge, who was soon busily blowing through a rubber tube attached to a gas meter, in order to discover the capacity of his lungs. The distinguished scientist's performance was easily beaten by a young lady who accompanied him, and although Sir Oliver tried again and again he could not overtake his more youthful competitor.

The gas-meter was one of a number of instruments which Professor Hill had used to illustrate his lecture on the lungs and blood, and to explain how the muscles get air and fuel. He compared the human body to an industrial machine which gets its energy from the burning of fuel, and pointed out that the real difficulty was the supply of oxygen for burning the food-stuffs. This is the work of the lungs, and it must have surprised many of Professor Hill's listeners to hear that if these organs could be spread out flat they would occupy an area of about 100 square yards. It is this enormous surface, the lecturer explained, that enables the lungs to take in air as they do, and to emphasise the point he showed a cinema film of the flow of blood through the veins, in which 25,000,000,000 blood corpuscles swarmed over the surface of the lungs every minute. He explained that the corpuscles take up oxygen which they carry round to the muscles that need it, and this carrying-power is due to the presence of haemoglobin, one of the most wonderful chemical substances in the world. Without it, said Professor Hill, there would be no animals larger than an insect, because they could never get enough oxygen even to remain quiet, far less to do any work.

Most of the afternoon's experiments were concerned with the measurement of oxygen consumption. First the lecturer's daughter, Janet, breathed into a bottle of lime water, which soon turned a milky white colour from the carbon dioxide exhaled. Another test was made with an electrical apparatus, which also registered the amount of carbon dioxide in the lungs, and yet a third means of achieving the same result was tried with a cylinder containing water. Maurice, the lecturer's little boy, blew into a rubber tube, and carbon dioxide displaced the water to the amount of 2.1 litres. Janet registered 1.8 litres, and a small boy from the audience 2.6, while Professor Hill himself completely emptied the cylinder of its 4 litres of water and could have done still better, but for the certainty of spilling the liquid on the floor. In another experiment, Polly and David Hill were the subjects, Polly lying on a couch with a tube in her mouth, a clip on her nose, and breathing into a bag. David, similarly equipped, was marking time rapidly on the floor with his feet, started later, but filled a bigger bag quicker than his sister. Then David was placed on a bicycle, raised from the ground, and began to pedal against an artificial resistance applied to the rim of the back wheel. Pedalling steadily, with the resistance fixed at 3lb., David developed 1.16th of the horse power in 20 seconds, and then working very hard against a 5lb. resistance, he developed 2.10ths of the horse power, doing 120 revolutions in 20 seconds. Explaining the various instruments, Professor Hill said the work was measured in foot pounds, each unit representing one pound weight lifted to a height of one foot, and one horse power being equal to 33,000 foot pounds of work. A gallon of oxygen in the body, he said, if used with 25 per cent. efficiency, supplied a man with enough energy to do 17,500 foot pounds of work, or sufficient to raise a 10-stone man from Trafalgar Square to the top of the Nelson Column.

An interesting exhibit was a model of the human body, which Professor Hill took to pieces to demonstrate the respiratory and circulatory mechanism. He invited the juvenile members of the audience to reflex

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RADIO TOPICS

RIVAL CLAIMS.

MUSIC HALLS MAKE WAR ON
R.B.C.

INDEPENDENT STATIONS.

Sir Oswald Stoll has disclosed to me something of the inner meaning of the music-hall war with the B.B.C. says a correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian." The fight is likely to become keener yet, for Sir Oswald informed me that the eventual aim of the music hall proprietors is nothing less than to take broadcasting by variety artists into their own hands.

To carry out this object they are prepared to set up their own broadcasting stations and transmit to the public free of cost.

"The view of music hall management," he said, "is that as there is such a strong public demand for variety turns on the wireless, and as it should be done in the most adequate manner possible, this part of wireless activities should be in the hands of the people best qualified to deal with it—that is, music hall management themselves.

"We have agreed upon a scheme under which we would erect our own broadcasting stations, and supply the public, free of charge, with better variety entertainment than they are getting at present. Of course, nothing can be done without the sanction of the Post Office, but the B.B.C. is aware, I believe, of our real desire, and of what really lies behind all this controversy about broadcasting by variety artists.

"Which would be better—to hear amateurs or second-rate artists broadcasting from a wireless studio, or stars broadcasting from a music hall under the actual conditions of a public performance? With all respect to the B.B.C., we understand this business better than they do, and we think we could give the listeners more satisfaction. We should not be dismayed by the technical aspect of broadcasting; we should engage experts to attend to that."

I asked Sir Oswald whether this scheme would not affect attendance at music halls as it was alleged B.B.C. broadcasts did?

"No," he replied; "for the simple reason that we should be careful what we broadcast. Our object would be to deal with various items and artists in such a way as to enable the public to enjoy listening, and yet induce them to come to the halls to see more. We think that could be done quite satisfactorily.

"I am confident the public would welcome our scheme. By broadcasting our stars under actual performing conditions 'atmosphere' would be conveyed to listeners in a way that is impossible in a wireless studio. At present, all Stoll artists have to sign a contract barring them from broadcast."

We have not been too strict about this in the past, but, in common with all other music hall managements, the tendency will be to become more strict in the future."

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

In the opinion of Melbourne fire brigade officials the time will come very soon when it will be possible for the Melbourne public to raise an alarm at any metropolitan station by means of wireless telephony on a wave length of 231 metres, which has been specially allotted to the Fire Brigade.

But only those radio enthusiasts with transmitters will be able to avail themselves of the service. The Deputy Chief Officer (Mr. Wilkins) said that at least one vehicle from each station would be equipped with a transmitting and receiving set capable of carrying on conversations during fire-fighting.

A portable telephone set has been completed for the use of stations in the event of telephonic and automatic alarm communication being cut off temporarily.

This set, which cost only £50, will have a range of 20 miles.

LISTEN IN FOR 6D.

A radio club has been formed in connection with the School of Arts at Inverell, Australia, and listeners are charged 6d. for an evening's programme. This appears to be the first school of arts which has decided to spread education and entertainment by means of radio.

£70 A MINUTE.

WHAT A TENOR WANTED FOR
BROADCASTING.

Mr. John McCormack, the Irish tenor (who is also a naturalised American citizen), has just been approached by the British Broadcasting Corporation with the suggestion that he should broadcast in Britain.

He said it was a question of his fee, and when pressed to name a specific sum, mentioned two thousand guineas. He added that he had been paid ten thousand dollars for broadcasting in the United States, and that the sum he mentioned would be a fair equivalent.

As the recital from the B.B.C.'s studio would have been divided into two periods of about 15 minutes each, the Irish-American tenor's proposal would have worked out at £70 a minute. A respectfully sustained A sharp alone would have been worth a £5 note—to Mr. McCormack.

The incident suggests one reason why the demand for "more big names" in the broadcast programmes has sometimes to go unsatisfied.

WIRELESS IN CHURCH.

The experiment of installing a wireless receiving set in St. Helen's Church, York, has been made by the vicar, Canon C. C. Bell, Precentor of York Minster. The set has four valves, and a loud speaker has been erected over the pulpit. It is intended to "tune in" to the Sunday night services relayed from St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, or elsewhere, and the service broadcast from Westminster Abbey on Thursday afternoons. Arrangements are also being made to have the set working on certain evenings during the week when high-class music, suitable for a church, is being broadcast. In an interview Canon Bell said that it was an endeavour to provide suitable entertainment for the great number of people who thronged the streets. "It is not intended," he added, "to be a wireless performance and nothing else. We shall sing hymns ourselves, and an address will be given. It is also an endeavour by a harassed vicar, responsible for two churches, in addition to his duty at the Minster, to put to better use his second church, for which he has a very warm corner, in his heart, but of which he can make only limited use."

Some time ago Canon Bell utilised St. Helen's for performances of suitable orchestral works, which were very popular, but which, like the musical services in the Minster, did not pay for themselves. The upkeep of the set and the initial cost will be defrayed by collections at various services.

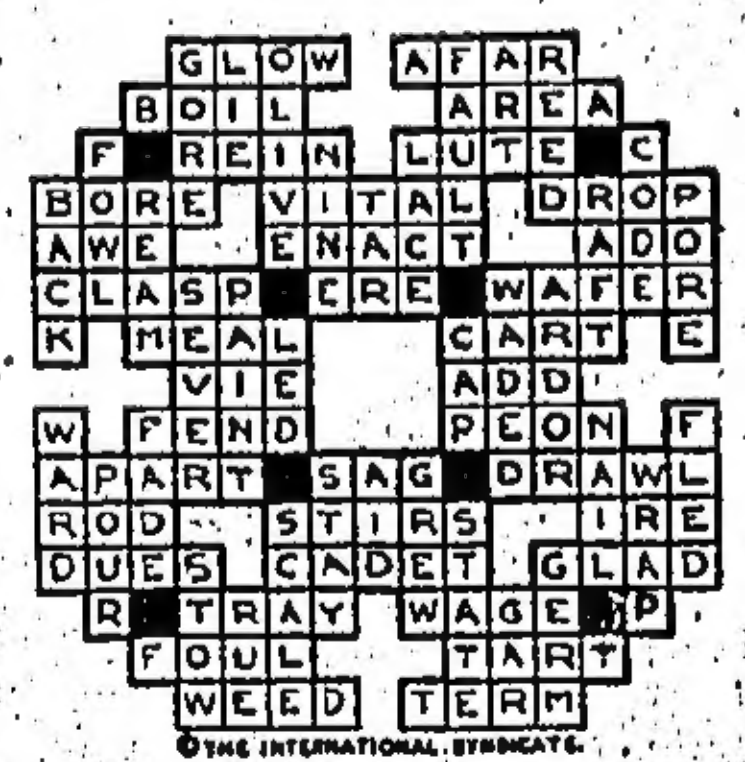
"LISTENING INSECTS."

The cinematograph and wireless are being used with success in the treatment of mental patients at the Royal Edinburgh Hospital, Morriston, which has nearly 900 patients, most of them having entered voluntarily.

In the report for 1926 the physician superintendent, Dr. George M. Robertson, says:

One patient had the idea that her most intimate thoughts were read by some external agency as to whose real nature she was very vague. Her uncertainty was dissipated when she heard her neighbours talking of listening-in sets, for being a little hard of hearing she concluded that it must be these "listening insects" that heard her inmost wishes.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



PLACE NAMES.

A PROBLEM FOR THE RADIO
ANNOUNCER.

B.B.C.'S PRONUNCIATION WORK

Mr. A. Lloyd James, the secretary of the B.B.C. Pronunciation Committee, informed me, writes the "Daily Telegraph," radio correspondent, that as the result of the recent announcement that the committee were considering the advisability of compiling a dictionary giving the pronunciation of place-names (primarily for the benefit of announcers), he had been overwhelmed with correspondence on the subject from all parts of the country. So many letters had been received that it was impossible to acknowledge them individually, but they revealed widespread interest in the subject, besides a considerable conflict of ideas. The committee at their next meeting would consider the best method of recording the valuable information accumulated in this manner.

"As an illustration of the difficulty announcers experience in this connection," said Mr. Lloyd James, "I recall that recently the place Ruislip occurred twice in the same evening's transmission, and was pronounced differently on each occasion, both pronunciations being wrong according to local inhabitants. The actual pronunciation should be 'Rice-lip.' Another place-name which had presented difficulties was Hawick, the verdict of correspondents being that it should be called 'Hovik.' There seemed also to be controversy on the question of the pronunciation of such a well-known place as Weston-Super-Mare, some people giving the last syllable its Latin accentuation.

With regard to the question of foreign names the committee had no intention of embarking on such a complicated question, but some Scottish and Welsh towns presented a sufficiently difficult problem. It will be recalled that in a broadcast talk a short time ago Mr. Lloyd James commented on the pronunciation of the Mall. Some people use the short 'a' in this word, while others call it 'The Mawl.' It now seems that those likely to be most familiar with the place use the first-mentioned and more obvious pronunciation.

ECLIPSE AND RADIO.

Speaking before the Radio Society of Great Britain at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, on the coming solar eclipse and its effect on broadcasting, Mr. H. de A. Donisthorpe described his experiences of the total solar eclipse in New York during January 1925.

Some strange, freakish, long distance reception was noticed from special stations which had agreed to send pre-arranged signals during the eclipse. Some of these stations were located within the track of totality and some outside, but in each case different results were observed. In all cases abnormal long distance reception was noticed, which invited listeners here to take particular notice during our eclipse. The solar total eclipse on June 29 in England would offer a great opportunity to all radio enthusiasts to collect valuable data in the aid of science.

The British Broadcasting Corporation has arranged to send some special signals on the date of the eclipse and so has the United States.

RADIO IN SCHOOLS.

Wireless in Great Britain has been making rapid discoveries in the possibilities of world education. In London alone "The Schoolmaster" reports 1,500 "wireless" schools. For these the British Broadcasting Company has been providing in ever-new ways that usually take their rise from the suggestions of teachers themselves. The new Wireless Board includes perhaps the most energetic educational brain in England—that of Dr. M. Rendall, who has just retired from the headmastership of Winchester. He thinks as hard as he walks, which makes him a strenuous companion, and his presence on the controlling authority guarantees a vigorous future for wireless in schools.

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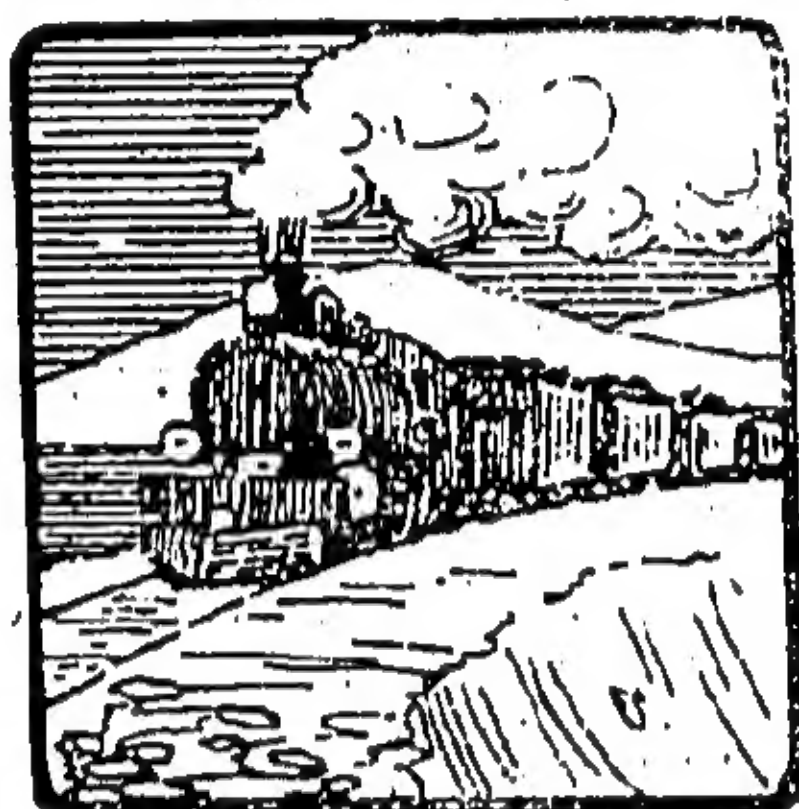
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to the mode show tendencies to re-
main with us well throughout the
Spring.

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tor's cap has taken hold of Paris'
eyes and in many startling versions
of the original shape appears in
both chiffon felts and silks in all
the shades favoured for Spring-
time.

It is essential in selecting these
close fitting hats to have one that
follows the silhouette of the col-
lure. This is the ultimate note in
chic. They may or may not be
pointed in the back to suggest the
closely cropped head. In the front
they frequently rise to a peak or
possess some decoration that gives
a hornlike effect. Flaps that ap-
pear on both sides are also seen
and smartly. One side may droop
slightly, as a hairline suggestion
and rise to reveal a smooth fore-
head, exactly where the hair is
parted. These hats of scull cap-
lines are perhaps the hardest to
wear of any that have been recently
introduced and should be chosen
with the utmost taste and skill.
They are so severe that they should
be worn only when assured they
do not blur one's good points merely
for the sake of chic.

The small felt hat is still smart.
It is seen in lines reminiscent of
last season with just a few varia-

tions to pronounce it the new
Spring chapeau. A narrow rip-
pled brim is still seen. The crown
that accompanies it must be quite
high and moulded in the back. The
combination of grosgrain and silk
is especially smart for the early
hats and is frequently used in the
ruffled brim type of hat.

The slightly higher crown, mould-
ed to fit the head in the back, with
the curving narrow brim, are the
subtleties that distinguish this sea-
son's hats. All felt or felt and gros-
grain make a very chic early Spring
hat.

Straw hats are already appearing
where the mode is closely followed.
They too are apt to be close fitting
and follow lines becoming to the
closely cropped hair. Crowns are
apt to reach smart heights, too, in
the straw hat and are frequently
trimmed with bows or bands of
grosgrain for variety or the intro-
duction of colour. The brimless
hat in the straw is extremely in-
teresting. Tucks, leaf shapes in
grosgrain and other novelties are
introduced in this type of hat.

Ballbunt straw is again seen.
It usually appears in hats which
express their smartness in interest-
ing brims of a slightly larger out-
line. Grosgrain ribbon again
makes itself important in these hats
as a smart trimming for a band
around the hat.

Flowers make their appearances
upon many of the new hats. Even
the various versions of the skull
caps find themselves frequently
beautified by a single flower in soft
outline or a group of flowers placed
at one side of the loop that comes
over the ear.

The large hat apparently will be
seen only occasionally. There are
hats of gracefully drooping lines
that are sometimes seen in all
fabrics and accompany certain cos-
tumes with extreme chic, but they
are in the minority.

The draped turban of lustrous
silks, satins and lamés will take
its usual place in the formal scenes.
Gay decorations of stones are
found a smart trimming for the
turban hat.

Crocheted straws are again in
vogue and follow all the interest-
ing lines of the new season to ob-
tain smartness. Coloured in both
straws, grosgrains and felts are
exceedingly beautiful and are very
varied. All the shades of blue for
the Spring, beige, green, black, rose
tints and grey are smartly used
for the newest hats.

The popular combination of
black and white has been used by
Alice White for a becoming little
turned-up brim type of hat that she
wears in a scene from her First
National film, "The Sea Tiger."

THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

The Mediterranean Fleet visit-
ed the French naval base at
Toulon.

Death from Natural Causes
was the verdict at a Marylebone
inquest on Miss Kitty Loftus, the
actress.

When told to read the oath in
Shoreditch County Court, a mas-
ter builder, aged 58, was unable
to do so.

Excavating in a gravel pit at
Moor Farm, near Pershore, Wor-
cestershire, workmen unearthed
the skeleton of a man.

The Prince of Wales opened
the new West Wing of the
Belgrave Hospital for Children,
Clapham Road, S.W.

The State apartments of
Kensington Palace will be open
to the public on Saturday and
Sunday afternoons, beginning on
April 2.

"An orator always says more
than he means, and a diplomat
never says all he means."—Sir
John Goodwin, Governor-Design-
ate of Queensland.

A Bill to set up a register of
qualified architects has been in-
troduced in the House of Com-
mons by Sir C. Kinloch-Cooke
(Cons., East Cardiff).

For the fourth day in succes-
sion traders who erected stalls in
St. Ann's Road, Tottenham, N.,
against Tottenham Urban Dis-
trict Council's orders had them
removed in the council's dust
carts.

Arrested in Duke Street,
Adelphi, W.C., at 11 p.m. on a
charge of being drunk and in-
capable, George James Whittaker,
54, homeless, was found dead in
the cells at Bow Street a few
hours later.

Mr. Churchill, the Chancellor
of the Exchequer, said in Parlia-
ment that the revenue from the
Betting Tax during February was
£92,700.

Princess Mary visited the
Young-Women's Christian Asso-
ciation Club at Hunslet, Leeds, in
support of an effort to liquidate
the debt on the premises.

A piece of Chinese sculpture, a
figure of a horse in green marble,
T'ang Dynasty 1618-906 A.D.,
has been acquired by the Victoria
and Albert Museum, South
Kensington.



A NIGHT ALARM!

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awakened in the middle of the night by
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morning, when he can be called if still
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London City Corporation has
decided to make the rates for the
ensuing half-year 5s. in the £ an
increase of 4d. in the £.

Valentine Smith, who still
pursues a gypsy life on the out-
skirts of Tipton, Staffordshire,
has reached his 102nd birthday.

Miss Agnes Russell, the donor
of the clinic opened at Paisley by
Princess Mary, left estate valued
at £123,422, more than £7,000
going to charity.

The body of a woman found at
the foot of cliffs at Hastings has
been identified as that of Miss
Elizabeth Holwell, aged 41, of
Mount Road, Hastings.

A public lecture is to be given
in the Queen's Hall, Langham
Place, W., on June 16 by Dr.
Voronoff, the celebrated surgeon
and gland transplantation expert.

Mr. H. W. Walker, chairman of
Whitehaven Colliery Co., Cum-
berland, has given £10,000 to the
Wesleyan Methodist Church for
extensions in the Whitehaven
circuit.

On a charge of embezzlement,
the amount involved being about
£5 15s., P.C. George Henry Holden
was at Coleford, Forest of Dean,
fined £12 or two months' impris-
onment.

Flooded kitchens, sculleries,
and bath-rooms due to defective
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